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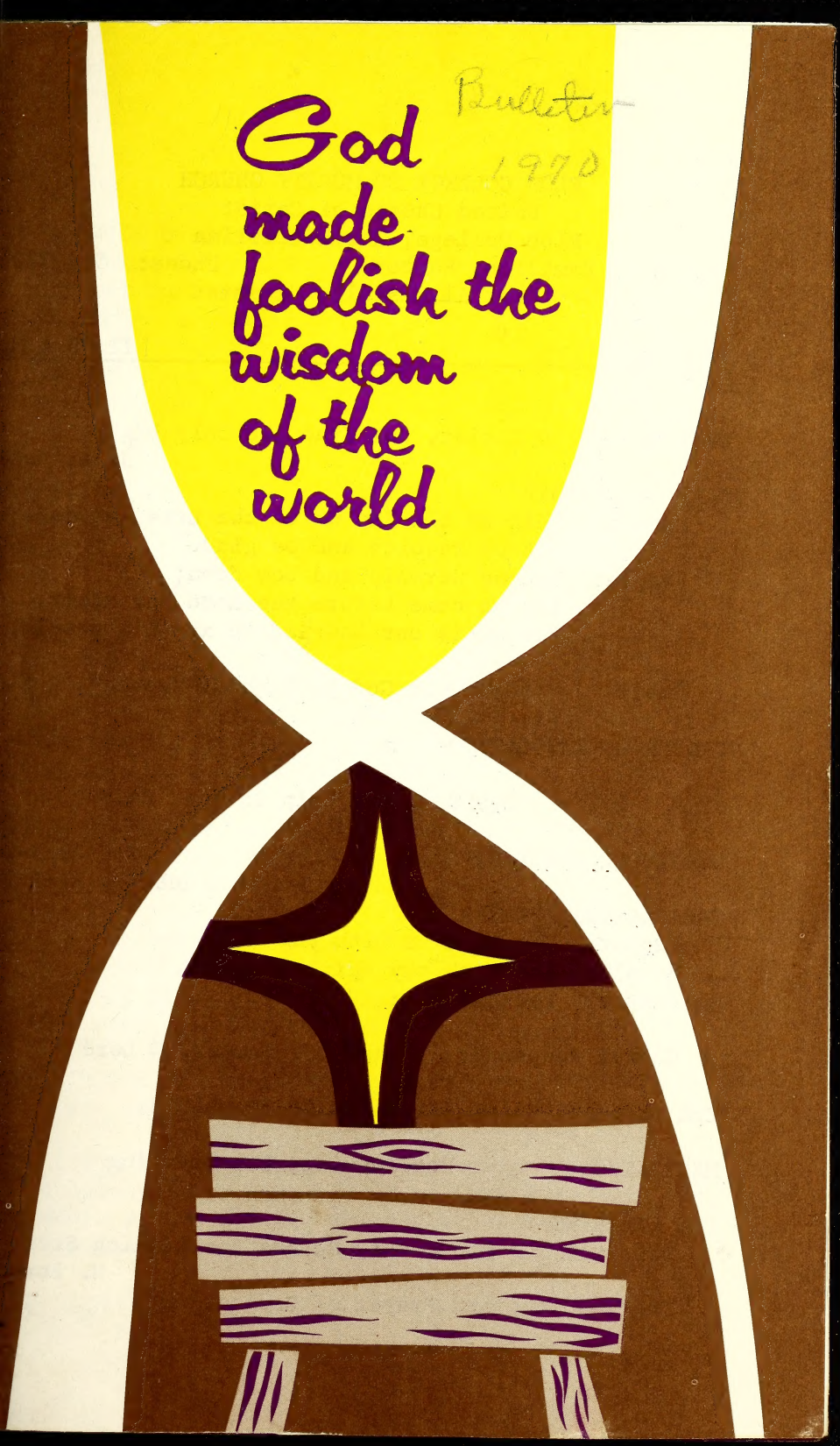

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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina

Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone: 584-9294
Mrs. Al Hassell, Organist

January 4, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE O Christ, Our True and Only Light
J. A. Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Pastor: This is the day which the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.
People: Let us worship and bow down;
let us come before the Lord our Maker,
for he is our God and we are his people.

Choir "Glory to God in Highest Heaven"

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 1 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

SCRIPTURE READINGS Job 28:9-28
Hebrews 11:1-10

THE PASTORAL PRAYER
Pastor: The Lord be with you
People: And with thy spirit
Pastor: Let us pray:

Choral Response: "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord"

THE ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF DEACONS

MEDITATION Not Knowing, But Trusting

THE OFFERING
Offertory How Lovely Shines the Morning Star
W. Barlo

The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

ANTHEM Thanks Be To Thee Handel

THE SERVICE OF COMMUNION
Communion Collect
General Confession (in unison) hymnal, p. 495
Assurance of Pardon
Words of Institution
Distribution of the Elements
Thanksgiving

HYMN 97 "God of Our Life"
BENEDICTION
Choral Response "Threefold Amen"
POSTLUDE In Peace and Joy I Now Depart
D. Buxtehude

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*Congregation Stands

THE HOLY COMMUNION is served today to all confirmed members of Christ's church. We celebrate "open Communion", inviting all professing Christians to join us in this Sacrament of faith.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given today to the Glory of God by the W. E. Price Family in memory of Mrs. Price's father, Mr. Claude Bryant.

DEACONS of our church, as elected by our congregation are today ordained and installed to office. They are Mr. D. D. Atkinson, Mr. William B. Terrell, and Mrs. John G. Truitt, Sr.

THE CIRCLES of the church meet this week, according to their regular schedule.

THE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Brafford upon the death of her sister, Mrs. J. V. Turbeville of Robbins, North Carolina on December 26.

THE CONFIRMATION CLASS will meet this afternoon at 4:00 P.M.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS **January 4, 1970**

I Cor. 1:18-25

We are impressed by the physically big and powerful, the worldly wise and clever. After all, is not the "survival of the fittest" the law of life? How ridiculous to center our primary loyalty in a scrubby crib and a senseless cross! But do sheer force and exalted knowledge penetrate to the deepest level of our lives and win our first allegiance? Or is it a love that identifies with the lowliest of human circumstances and cares enough to give itself completely? Such love has the power to expose all our pretensions and bring new health to our lives!

RURAL LIFE PROGRAM IN KALAHANDI

There is far more than meets the eye in the 1968 report of Rural Life Program (RLP) activities in Kalahandi, India, where missionaries of our United Church Board for World Ministries are at work:

- Five colonies of American bees imported. Only two colonies survived, so will try Khariar and Raipur areas next.
- Eleven CASA (Christian Agency for Social Action) drinking-water wells completed.
- Eighty-three kitchen-garden wells started, 56 completed.
- One thousand eggs per month average supplied to government TB hospital at cost.
- "Food for Work" projects used to distribute 1.2 million pounds of US surplus wheat and milo in first six months. Projects included: more than 50 acres of land cleared of sand left by 1967 flood, 13 houses built for relocated village, 8 water-diversion and/or water-holding dams built, 100,000 bricks made for new church and rural life center.
- RLP center and garden at Khariar nearly completed at cost of $8,000.
- One more seed bank started. This makes total of four.
- Two units of 10 goats each purchased for loan to farmers.
- One unit of 44 chickens granted to a girls' school.
- Forty-two bales of used clothing (about 3,500 pieces) distributed at rate of one day's labor per piece.
- Experiments conducted in high lysine corn, alfalfa and clover.

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God is at work in you

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PRELUDE Voluntary No. 1 in G M. Greene
Lighting the Candles
PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit Praise Ye the Lord
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
O thou ever-living God, who art present when thy people gather together in thy name, give us now a freshness of spirit, a power to awaken within us holiness, and the will to worship thee worthily. Unite us with all who worship thee in little groups and in great congregations in all lands, that we may give thee the glory due thy name.
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 372 "How Firm A Foundation"
THE LIVING WORD
Unison Reading No. 125, page 544
New Testament Romans 15:1-13
* The Gloria Patri
THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Have Mercy on Me
THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Anthem O Be Joyful In the Lord D. Roach
Children's Story
* Hymn 341 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"
Sermon Beginning with the Word
PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory So Now As We Journey,
Aid Our Weak Endeavor M. Dupre
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 383 "Forward Through the Ages"

Benediction

Choral Response "May the Blessing of the Lord"

Extinguishing the Candles

Postlude Rigaudon A. Campra

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*Congregation standing

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Mr. Wilkins' father, Charlie S. Wilkins, by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wilkins.

THE THIRD of the LOINT Sessions will be held at 7 o'clock this evening, to be led by Dr. Paul Cheek. These sessions are for all who are interested in the educational program of our church, and especially all our teachers.

EACH OF THE ELECTED COMMITTEES of our church will meet briefly at 6:30 this evening in designated rooms on the church school level of this building. These are intended to be thirty minute meetings.

THE CONFIRMATION CLASS meets at 2 o'clock today.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the congregation is next Sunday evening at 7:00. Following the business session, we will be privileged to have the New Directions lead us in choral worship.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATIONS are now being received for the fall term. Church members may have priority reservations until January 31, after which we shall accept all registrations as received until the quota is filled. Please call Mrs. Updyke or the church Office.

at work in you!

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS **January 11, 1970**

Philippians 2:12-18

The proper functioning of the physical heart is essential to human life. Yet we know that unless the physical heart functions in surroundings of loving care, a person remains largely a biological animal. The heart of that loving care finds its focus in him who "emptied himself, taking the form of a servant." What seeks to work in us is the Spirit that forms our lives into the shape of a servant who brings light to the world and enhances the quality of human life. How much do we let the heart of that Spirit throb and grow within us?

MR. MAJOR'S SCHOOL AT CHIKORE

Macdonald Major, principal of Chikore Secondary School in Rhodesia, has a big job on his hands. Some 330 students and 13 teachers look to him for guidance as he seeks to provide a strong educational setting for Africans under Rhodesia's increasingly repressive rule.

The United Church Board for World Ministries helped open Chikore Secondary School in 1955. Until then there had been only a primary school which at that time enrolled 200 youngsters for eight years of education, and only a few secondary schools where children could go for further study.

The Board gave a construction grant to help raise a dining hall, dormitory, and staff houses. While there are still three missionary teachers on the staff, more and more African teachers, some educated in Europe and the United States, are gradually taking their place.

English, literature, Latin, history, general science, arithmetic, mathematics, geography, health science, Bible studies, Shona, and shop skills are being taught. The religious life of the community is led by both African and missionary ministers. Sunday morning discussions center on such topics as how to make church more meaningful to young people today.

A unique addition to the Chikore Mission is the Big Tree School which offers kindergarten and complete primary education for children of African and missionary teachers. It is the only recognized multi-racial primary school in the country.

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January 18, 1970 11:00 A. M.

PRELUDE Psalm Prelude (Ps. 23. v.4) H. Howells
Lighting the Candles
PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit The Lord is in His Holy Temple
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Eternal God, help us to come before thee in humility and joy. We bring our unfinished work, our tarnished ideals, and our broken hopes with the request that we may be healed, restored, and redirected in glad service. Help us worthily to pray the Master's Prayer.
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 251 "Holy, Holy, Holy!"
THE LIVING WORD
Unison Reading No. 110, page 540
New Testament Philippians 3:7-16
* The Gloria Patri
THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Have Mercy on Me
THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Anthem That They All May Be One C. Mueller
Children's Story
* Hymn 300 "Rise Up, O Men of God!"
Sermon The Race to Attain
PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Three Quiet Preludes (II) F. Jacob
The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts
GOING OUT TO SERVE
* Hymn 269 "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

Benediction
Choral Response "May the Blessing of the Lord"
Extinguishing the Candles
Postlude Postludium J. Dressler

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*Congregation Standing

HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Elon College in memory of Dr. Jesse H. Dollar who died in Roanoke, Alabama on January 13. A telegram expressing thankfulness for his life of service and consolation to the family was sent in the name of our congregation. Dr. Dollar was our Pastor from 1946 until 1950.

HE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING of the congregation is this evening at seven o'clock. All members are asked to be present. The New Directions will lead us in choral worship at 7:45; and the Women's Fellowship will provide refreshments in the Parish House afterwards. Do Come!

HE CHURCHMEN'S FELLOWSHIP of the Burlington area meets Thursday evening at seven at our Haw River Church. Dinner reservations may be made by calling the church office by Tuesday.

HE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Rich upon the death of his brother, Mr. B. A. Rich, of Four Oaks, N. C.

INDERGARTEN REGISTRATIONS are now being received for the fall term. Church members may have priority reservations until January 31, after which we shall accept all registrations as received until the quota is filled. Please call Mrs. Updyke or the church office.

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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

Church and Economic Life Week **II Corinthians 5:16-21**

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity **January 18, 1970**

The faces of happy children joined together: What a symbol for the fruits of the Christian message of God's reconciling love! Yet millions of children do not have happy faces. Their faces are marked by hunger and heartache, disease and discrimination. What can God's love mean to them? Today begins Church and Economic Life Week. To be Christ's ambassadors is not to deliver some pious platitudes. Today it means putting our monetary muscle to work with a love that can turn callous affluence into creative affection, enervating hurt into energizing hope.

OUR ONENESS IN CHRIST

The week of Prayer for Christian Unity—January 18-25—came into existence over sixty years ago as an opportunity for separated Christians to pray together for visible unity in Christ. Christians were challenged with a different dilemma: on the one hand, they knew that Christ wanted his disciples to be one. On the other hand, they found themselves, in following their convictions, unable to realize this unity. After several decades of common prayer, many separated Christians are beginning to experience the fellowship which, in spite of continuing divisions, is given to them in Christ.

The theme of this year's Week of Prayer is, "We are fellow workers for God" (1 Cor 3:9). Man's role as fellow worker for God rests on his creation in the image of God. The human race, to whom the created world was originally entrusted, rejoiced in unity. But as each man began to build for himself his own world, he became estranged from God and began to exploit his fellowman.

Jesus Christ came to break down all dividing walls between men. He willed to re-create the one human race in order that peace may become a world-wide reality. Where Christ is proclaimed there should be only one family of God.

Only in making this response to God does man become whole, the richness of the created world a blessing to be shared by all, and the earth a true home for the human race. In this way, the time entrusted to us becomes a time of hope, a time of decision, a time of action.

—Father Ralph Thomas, S. A.
Director, Graymoor Ecumenical Institute

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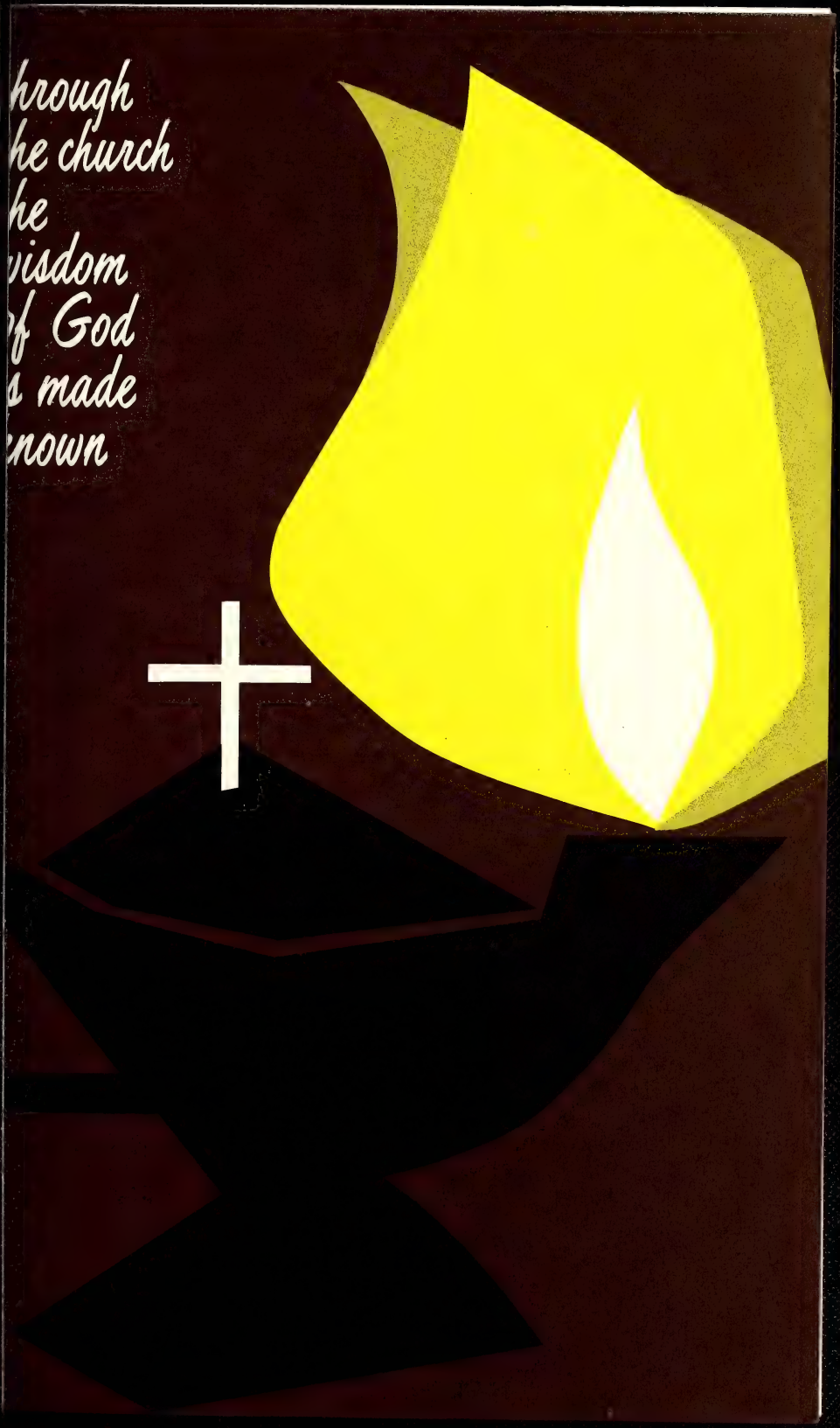

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January 25, 1970 11:00 A. M.

PRELUDE Cantilena J. Rheinberger
Lighting the Candles
PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit This is the Day
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Gracious God, our Father, whose love for all people is revealed in Jesus Christ, grant that we may hear the good news of salvation, and like the disciples of old respond to the Savior's call. In that spirit, we offer the prayer he taught his disciples.
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 366 "God of Grace and God of Glory"
THE LIVING WORD
Unison Reading No. 120, page 543
New Testament John 2:1-11
* The Gloria Patri
THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Keep this Prayer in Our Hearts
THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Anthem Prayer of St. Chrysostom E. Butler
Children's Story
* Hymn 223 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"
Sermon Beliefs Matter
PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Maestoso (Suite Gothique) L. Boellmann
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts
GOING OUT TO SERVE
* Hymn "Lord God of Hosts"

Benediction
Choral Response The Lord Bless You
Extinguishing the Candles
Postlude Postlude in G Major G. F. Handel

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*Congregation Standing

E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Mr. C. C. Huey by Mrs. C. C. Huey and Family.

RENTS of the Junior Hi Youth will meet at four o' clock today with Miss Riggan in the Hunter Room. The Junior Hi Meeting will follow at five o'clock. The Senior Hi Youth will meet at 6:30 in Johnston Hall on the Children's Home Campus. Dr. Philip Mann will lead the program on "Youth and Drugs".

E WORSHIP COMMITTEE will meet this evening at seven o'clock in the Hunter Room. All committee members are urged to be present to discuss the organization and duties of this new committee.

NGRATULATIONS to Lizbeth Anne Chandler and James Ellis Young whose Service of Marriage was celebrated yesterday in this sanctuary.

U MAY SECURE copies of the adopted Church Constitution, the 1969 Annual Reports, and the New Directory from the table in the narthex.

TICLES for the Torch are due in the secretary's office by Tuesday morning.

SPITALIZED: Kenneth Clem at Memorial

NDERGARTEN REGISTRATIONS are now being received for the fall term. Please call Mrs. Updyke or the church office.

the wisdom of God

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS **January 25, 1970**

Ephesians 3:1-12

Our world seems often so full of hostility and estrangement. The Ephesian Letter's emphasis on the unity of all things in Christ appears very distant. Yet it proclaims this unity as God's wisdom, and entrusts the Christian community with a particular role. What is this role? The church itself is to be the living sign of a unity that enlightens and overcomes hostility. It is to be that loving community in which human life is built up. It is to embody and proclaim for all to see the unity and growing love intended for the world. What a role to be called to play!

SHARING CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SERVICES

In the Northern Plains, the cities and towns are small and widely scattered. The churches are small and widely scattered, too, making it hard for them to carry on a full program. Some congregations have dealt with this by forming yoked parishes and federated churches.

Another approach is joint staffing for Christian education shared by the United Church of Christ conferences and the United Presbyterian synods of North and South Dakota. This has produced the merging of the total educational ministry and resources of the two denominations in the Dakotas.

Combined programs include the annual Leadership School, camping and youth programs, the pre-Lenten Pastors' Conference, and clergy-laity dialogues on the nature and ministry of the church. They have also planned a series of curriculum-building workshops with leaders of the Dakota Indians to help teachers develop educational goals and adapt available materials to their needs.

This unified service and program in Christian education began early last year. The successful partnership of the United Presbyterian Church and the United Church of Christ points the way toward wider participation by other denominations.

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SO THAT YOU MAY BELONG

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February 1, 1970 11:00 A. M.

PRELUDE Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C Major
J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Praise Ye the Lord
PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)
Unto thy temple, Lord
we come with thankful hearts to worship.
May thy divine blessing be upon us
to guide, strengthen, and unite us.
Be with us as we make our Master's Prayer our own:
THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 402 "Jesus, Where'er Thy People Meet"

PSALTER READING 87, Psalm 84 Page 527

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 16:13-28

SERVICE OF PRAYER
Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Have Mercy Upon Me
ANTHEM Lord, My Savior, My Salvation
F. Schubert

CHILDREN'S STORY
* Hymn 227 "Fairest Lord Jesus"
THE OFFERING
Offertory Prelude in D Major J. Fischer
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
SERMON Sources of Faith

*HYMN 365 "Faith of Our Fathers"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response May the Blessing of the Lord

*POSTLUDE Processional in G Major J. Stanley

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*Congregation will stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given today to the Glory of God by Mrs. R. S. Shomaker in memory of her mother, Mrs. R. E. Mitchell.

TODAY:

4:00	Confirmation Class
5:00	Junior High Youth
6:30	Senior High Youth
7:30	Board of Deacons
7:45	Outreach Committee

CONGRATULATIONS to Becky Taylor and Kenneth Holmes whose Service of Marriage was celebrated here on January 30.

THE WOMEN'S CIRCLES of the church will be meeting tomorrow and Tuesday.

THE FEBRUARY LOINT SESSION will be held next Sunday afternoon (2:30-5:30) at the Durham United Church of Christ. Our teachers will be meeting with others who teach the same age group.

THE SEASON OF LENT will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 11, with the celebration of Holy Communion at our 7:15 P.M. Service. The Wednesday Noon Lenten Bible Studies will begin the following week.

YOU MAY SECURE copies of the newly-adopted church constitution, the 1969 Annual Reports, and the 1970 Membership Directory from the table in the Narthex.

SO THAT YOU MAY BELONG TO HIM

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS **February 1, 1970**

Church Vocations Sunday **Romans 7:1-6**

"Take thou my hand, dear Lord." These words of a well-known hymn and the cover picture express the affirmation that we do not belong to ourselves but to him. We are not called to be self-made persons, captivated by our own achievements. We are called to be those who are delivered from deadening self-preoccupation and grasped by the living Spirit of Christ. Such "captivity" does not "cramp our style." It delivers us from the need to establish our worth and frees us to be his humanizing servants in an often dehumanizing world. Bondage to him is life indeed!

TAKE ME TO THE OPRO

The word is OPRO, not opera! And the letters stand for Overseas Personnel Recruitment Office, an organization of eight cooperating denominations for joint missionary recruitment.

Concerned by the apparent difficulty of the church to successfully recruit candidates in competition with the Peace Corps and other voluntary organizations, the sponsors decided to try to present a new image. "The image of the missionary," they point out, "which college young people too often have is not very appealing."

Part of OPRO's job will be to change that image. The campus recruiters will be seeking specialists—medical and nursing students, agricultural and business students, education graduates—for the many openings of the cooperating mission boards.

Participating agencies include: Church of the Brethren, National Council of Churches/Division of Overseas Ministries, Episcopal Church, Reformed Church in America, United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia, United Church of Christ, United Methodist Church, and United Presbyterian Church in the USA.

By relieving these agencies of separate recruitment work, OPRO will allow them to concentrate on placing the right person in the right job which has always been vital for the success of the mission.

You help support OPRO through your gifts to *Our Christian World Mission*. Watch for OPRO materials in the future, and forward your recommendations of potential candidates for overseas work to OPRO through our United Church Board for World Ministries.

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February 8, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Voluntary in E W. Walond

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit O Come Let Us Worship
PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)
O eternal God and Father of us all, implant within our persons the growing seeds of faith and truth, that all our days may bring forth the blessings of discipleship. Be with us still as we make the Master's prayer our own:
THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 263 "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 148

ANTHEM Psalm 148 F. Lewin

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH (in unison)

SERVICE OF PRAYER
Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Hear Our Prayer
CHILDREN'S STORY
* Hymn 322 "Jesus Calls Us"
THE OFFERING
Offertory
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 10

SERMON Portrait of the Lord

*HYMN 161 "Before the Cross of Jesus"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response Threefold Amen

*POSTLUDE Jubilee L. Sowerby

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*Congregation will stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Alexander in memory of his mother, Mrs. S. G. Alexander.

TODAY:

2:30-5:30	February LOINT Session at Durham
4:00	Confirmation Class
5:00	Junior High Youth
6:30	Senior High Youth
7:00	Worship Committee
7:30	Stewardship Committee

THE SEASON OF LENT will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 11, with the celebration of Holy Communion at our 7:15 P.M. Service. The Edgewood Congregation will worship with us and their Pastor, the Reverend Mr. George Stowe, will deliver the meditation for the evening.

THE WEDNESDAY NOON Lenten Bible Studies will begin on February 18.

ARTICLES for the Torch are due in the Secretary's Office by Tuesday Morning.

THE TELEPHONE COMMITTEE for the Pictorial Directories will meet Tuesday Morning at 11:00.

THE BLOODMOBILE will be at First Presbyterian Church tomorrow and Tuesday. If you can donate for someone in our church family, please get the name from our Pastor.

in a spirit of gentleness

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS **February 8, 1970**

Race Relations Sunday **Galatians 6:1-5**

The cover is a photo of a sculpture-piece in a hospital. It points to a major fruit of the Spirit—the capacity for gentle compassion. Our world seems to identify gentleness with weakness. Yet it is the weak person who often lashes out with a supposed show of strength. The truly strong is the one who has learned to bear "another's burdens" with the firmly gentle hand of Christ. The church is not to be a boasting community of those who laud their strength. It is to be a supportive community in which all need and share the human, healing touch.

CONFRONTING THE ISSUES

Race Relations Sunday in the cool of February is a good time to place the word "confrontation" in perspective. In the heat of last spring's and last summer's racial unrest, it was obvious that "confrontation" had to do with people. People confronted people. Blacks confronted whites. And whites confronted one another. But the passion of such confrontation sometimes obscured the underlying problems.

In the midst of last summer's unrest,during the annual Race Relations Institute meeting in the quiet classrooms of Park-Johnson Hall on the tree-shaded campus of Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee, calmness prevailed. This was no oasis of unconcern. The discussions were intense. The lectures, seminars and panels brought an exchange of widely varied views. But the emphasis was not the confrontation of people, but the confrontation of issues. What were the issues? Basically there were two: the persisting lack of equal opportunity in housing, education, and employment; and the growing struggle to achieve power and pride by Black Americans, Spanish-speaking and Indian Americans.

The participants of the Institute came from every part of the nation and represented both voluntary and governmental organizations. Among their number were teachers and students, clergymen and laymen of the United Church of Christ, the United Presbyterian Church and many other denominations, social workers and community organizers, labor leaders and businessmen, members of human relations committees, and personnel from official agencies. Their purpose: to work together for a closer understanding of the problems, processes, and methods of implementing better human relations.

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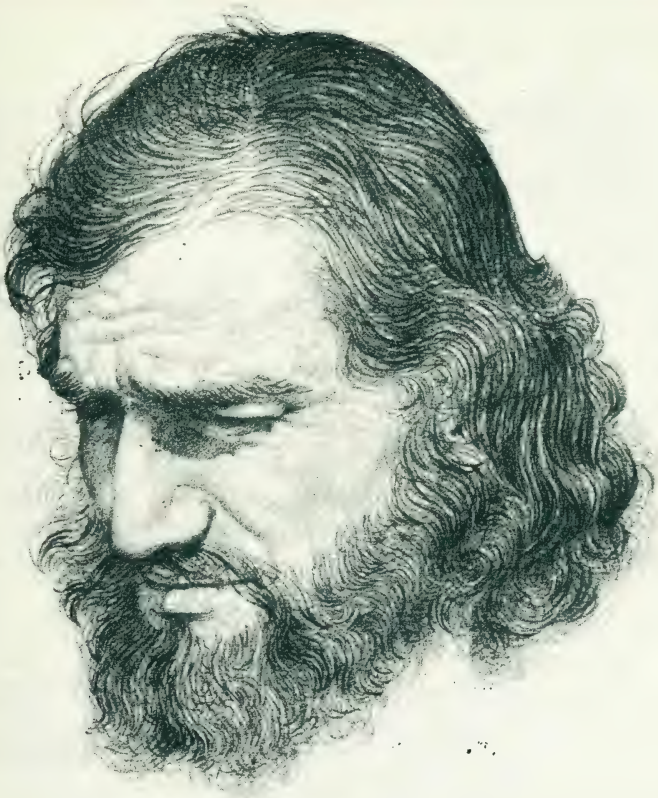

Journey With Christ

Whatever else this new year may mean to us, it offers the opportunity for spiritual attainment. Its chief value to us is an opportunity for a deeper fellowship with Christ, for a purer zeal for righteousness. Our Christian growth and stability depends upon the grace of a loving God before whom the centuries pass as a watch in the night—a God who inhabits eternity; who is always the same, yesterday, today, and forever. In faith, and with confidence in the eternal goodness of our unchanging Friend and Redeemer, we begin this journey into the future, where lie priceless opportunities for work which will fulfill his purpose.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE
February 11, 1970
ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
and
EDGEWOOD UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
7:15 P.M.

PRELUDE Chorale in E Major C. Franck

CALL TO WORSHIP Mr. Hamilton
Choral Introit
PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN OF TRUST 348 "My Faith Looks up to Thee"
(stanzas 1 and 2)

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 6:1-21

A LITANY OF THE CROSS

ANTHEM Blessed Jesu Pergolesi

MEDITATION Mr. Stowe

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
Collect
Words of Institution
Prayer of Consecration
The Service
(As directed by the ushers, the people will gather in a semi-circle for individual communion.)
* Prayer of Thanksgiving
*HYMN 273 "Blest be the Tie that Binds"

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

A LITANY OF THE CROSS

Almighty God, we acknowledge before thee our unpayable indebtedness to thee and to others. For the forgiveness of all our sins and our new beginnings in Christ,

O LORD, MAKE US THANKFUL.

For the life we lead in this quiet community, abounding in chances to serve one another, to bear one another's burdens, to weep with those who weep, and rejoice with those who rejoice,

O LORD, MAKE US THANKFUL.

For this blessed season of Lent, wherein we re-live with Christ those forty days of temptation and mortal trial,

O LORD, MAKE US THANKFUL.

For the cross of Christ and his bitter sacrifice for the love so freely given, and the costly salvation here granted thy people of faith,

O LORD, MAKE US THANKFUL.

For his loneliness in the garden, his betrayal and trial, his humiliation, the mockery of his thorny crown, the anguish of his cross, for his unfailing faith in thee and love for all men.

O LORD, MAKE US THANKFUL.

For the quiet hour of study and prayer now before us, for the sharing of our goods with the poor, for all that this may do to bring us nearer to the likeness of Jesus,

O LORD, MAKE US THANKFUL.

From all ingratitude, and pride, and hardness of heart,

DEAR LORD, DELIVER US.

From all spendthrift wasting of our costly heritage,

DEAR LORD, DELIVER US.

Free us from the reluctance of our fears and the halting indecision of our unbelief. At this table of remembrance may we reaffirm our oneness with Christ and our oneness with all who, in sacrificial living, share the fellowship of his cross.

DEAR LORD, HAVE MERCY UPON US. MAKE US INCREASINGLY THANKFUL, AND EMPOWER US TO DO THY WILL THIS DAY AND ALL OUR DAYS.

AMEN.

Week of Prayer

Today begins Universal Week of Prayer for "a brief parenthesis of time on earth" known as the Year 1961. Guidance for our prayers, in the form of meditations for each day of this week, are based upon the familiar doxology or blessings for Christians in Jude 1:20-25.

Interest in this important observance has been increasing in our churches year by year since 1848 when the New Year was inaugurated internationally by Christians in the spirit of confession, petition, and intercession.

"The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth."

The Japan Mission

Agricultural mission work and Christian outreach to Japanese farmers is an important part of the Church's mission in the Far East. Here a group of Japanese farmers are meeting in a worship service which is being led by the Rev. Paul R. Gregory, now mission board field secretary for the Far East. The great effort of the Church today is aggressive evangelism in every area of Japanese life. With the strength of the Church dependent on its leadership, it is not strange that education receives much attention and large personnel assignment.

Church Tours Combine Study and Travel

Churchmen privileged to combine travel with education find lasting satisfaction in the Study and Travel Seminars made available by the several agencies of the United Church of Christ. The Department of Missionary Education of the Evangelical and Reformed Church is planning a ten-day trip from San Francisco through the Pacific Northwest to visit "churches for new times". Mission fields in the Far East will be studied on another tour. The Council for Christian Social Action will take a group to Africa, and is also organizing a Seminar for the Caribbean area.

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LENTEN WORSHIP - STUDY GUIDE

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11 - 7:15 P.M.

Service of Worship with Holy Communion will begin with a fifteen minute organ recital, presented by Mrs. Hassell. The Edgewood congregation will worship with us, with Pastor George Stowe preaching.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE, March 27

Will be held in conjunction with other community churches.

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor

WORSHIP

Theme: Articles of Faith

February 15 11:00 A.M.	(First Sunday in Lent) Sermon: A Whip John 2:15
February 22 11:00 A.M.	(Second Sunday in Lent) Sermon: Salty Tears Luke 7:44
March 1 11:00 A.M.	(Third Sunday in Lent) Sermon: A Stone John 8:7
March 8 11:00 A.M.	(Fourth Sunday in Lent) Sermon: Towel and Basin John 13:5
March 15 11:00 A.M.	(Passion Sunday) Sermon: A Cross John 19:17
March 22 11:00 A.M.	(Palm Sunday) Sermon: Palm Branches John 12:13
March 29 11:00 A.M.	(Easter Sunday) Sermon: Bread and Wine Matthew 26:26

STUDY

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY - 12:15-1:30 P.M.

Theme: Six of the Twelve

(Bring a sandwich, beverage provided. A half hour for lunch and talk; forty five minutes for study)

February 18	SIMON PETER Matthew 16:13-23; 26:33-35; Luke 22:31-34; John 18:10,11	Led by Mr. Bozarth
February 25	ANDREW Mark 1:16-20; John 1:35-42; John 6:8	Led by Mr. Truitt
March 4	JAMES Mark 1:19-20; 5:37, 10:35-45; Acts 12:2	Led by Mr. Cockman
March 11	PHILIP John 1:43-51; 6:5-7; 12:21,22; 14:1-12	Led by Mr. Rinker
March 18	JUDAS Mark 14:10,11, 17-21; John 12:1-8; 18:1-11; Acts 1:15-26	Led by Mr. Sloan
March 25	THOMAS John 11:14-16; 14:1-6; 20:24-31	Led by Mr. Scott

SUGGESTIONS FOR LENT - 70

Worship regularly.

Attend Study Sessions.

Attend a Church School Class.

Invite someone to worship with you.

Use the Daily Devotional Guide.

Participate in the One Great Hour of Sharing on March 8.

Visit someone who is home-bound.

Invite someone to your home.

Learn to understand someone.

Decide to improve one aspect of yourself.

Read some devotional book.

Volunteer your abilities for some worthwhile concern.

Go out of your way to do some unexpected service for someone.

Send a letter to someone you're thinking about.

Say something good about someone.

Share yourself and your faith.

Add your suggestion.

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February 15, 1970 First Sunday in Lent 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Prelude in E^b Minor M. Durufle

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Lord, Who throughout these Forty Days

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)
Gracious God, our Father, who ministered to the Christ in moments of trial and temptation, be near to us in such times and help us to overcome by the strength of your Word which alone is truth, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Be with us still as we make the Master's prayer our own:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 35 "When Morning Gilds the Skies" (stanzas 1 - 4)

THE EPISTLE LESSON II Corinthians 6:1-13

* Gloria Patri

THE GOSPEL LESSON John 2:13-22

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH (in unison)

ANTHEM Blessing and Honor C. F. Mueller
Blessing, honor, glory and praise, this is the theme of the hymns that we raise. Give we glory, praise to the Lamb; Take we robe, harp, and palm; Sing the song of the Lamb that was slain, Dying in weakness, but rising to reign.

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

HILDREN'S STORY
Hymn 346 "Come, Let Us Join with Faithful Souls"
HE OFFERING
Offertory Choral Dorien J. Alain
The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
ERMON Articles of Faith: A Whip

YMN 177 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

ENEDICTION
Choral Response The Lord Bless You
OSTLUDE Psalm XVIII B. Marcello

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*Congregation will stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Long in memory of Mrs. Long's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George T. Johnson, and her sister, Mrs. T. A. Jones.

TODAY:
3:00 Mrs. Hassell's Students' Recital
4:00 Confirmation Class
5:00 Junior High Youth
6:30 Senior High Youth

THE WEDNESDAY NOON Lenten Studies begin this week. Bring your Bible and a sack lunch; coffee and dessert will be provided. Mr. Bozarth will lead this session on "Simon Peter". The study will adjourn promptly at 1:30.

PHOTOGRAPHS will be made this week for our Pictorial Church Directory. According to your appointment, please come to Room 12-14 on the Church School level of this building. Every family in the church is to be photographed between Tuesday and Saturday.

WE JOIN in expressing our Christian Sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. George D. Colclough upon the death this week of his brother, Bryant Colclough, of Durham.

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FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT **February 15, 1970**

Universal Day of Prayer for Students **I Corinthians 10:1-13**

A major temptation in the church is to "rest on our oars." Paul reminds the Corinthians that their past participation is no "security blanket" for facing a precarious present. In view of the massive upheaval in today's world, we are tempted to point to our piddling involvements and to resist the strident voices that challenge "business as usual." God does not call us to rely on old patterns but to break new pathways in the spirit of him who sweat great drops of blood. This is the spirit in which to "sweat" for justice and peace and genuinely to celebrate Lent.

A DAY OF PRAYER

For some years, the mainline denominations of America have observed a Universal Day of Prayer for Students. But for which students? And with what kinds of prayers should we observe the day?

Of the millions of students in the United States and around the world, only a small minority are active participants in the Christian Church. Many more are in open rebellion against the established patterns of our society. We must learn to discriminate between the vast majority of these students who are militantly demanding the reformation of our colleges and universities and the small but vociferous band of radicals intent upon their destruction. Our prayers must include them all.

For what then shall we pray? Pray that our colleges and universities may more adequately fulfill the dreams that gave them birth; that they may provide the experiences which can help to reconcile man with man and man with God; that such experiences may be possible, not only for the favored but also for the poor. And pray that we may recognize ourselves as "students" also, and become more open to the newness and change of today's world.

Through the Council for Higher Education, the United Church of Christ is related to nearly forty colleges in the United States. Through the United Ministries in Higher Education, an ecumenical venture in which we participate through the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries and our conferences, we are represented on a thousand campuses. Overseas, we are related to nearly fifty colleges and seminaries through the United Church Board for World Ministries.

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February 22, 1970 Second Sunday in Lent 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE "Ah, Holy Jesus, how hast thou offended"
(Text: Pilgrim Hymnal 163) G. Slater

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Lord, Who throughout these Forty Days

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)
Eternal God our Father, by whose love we are accepted and understood, grant us grace to see the error of our ways and the pretensions by which we hide our condition, and by your Holy Spirit lead us to repentance and renewal. Amen.

*HYMN 206 "Ye Servants of God"

THE EPISTLE LESSON I John 2:12-17
* Gloria Patri
THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 7:36-50

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH (in unison)

ANTHEM Holy Lamb of God W. A. Mozart
Holy Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, give thy mercy...Give to us thy peace...Give us peace that comes from thee... Give us peace, Holy Lamb of God.

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

CHILDREN'S STORY Mr. Dollar
* Hymn 333 "Father Almighty, Bless Us"

THE OFFERING

Offertory "O Christ, Thou Lamb of God" G. Mueller

The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Articles of Faith: Salty Tears

HYMN 60 "Savior, again to thy Dear Name"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Lord, Let us now depart in Peace

POSTLUDE Jesus I will ponder now J. S. Bach

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*Congregation will stand

WELCOME to each of you as you worship with us this morning. Our visitors are asked to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex. Especially we welcome Mr. J. C. Dollar, our liturgist of the morning. Mr. Dollar is an Elon College student and, with Mrs. Dollar, serves as our senior youth advisor.

TODAY
- 4:00 Confirmation Class
- 4:00 Elon College Vespers in Whitley, with the Rev. Porter Seiwell preaching.
- 5:00 Junior High Youth
- 5:00 Organ Recital by Mrs. Hassell at First Presbyterian Church, Burlington.
- 6:30 Senior High Youth

THE WEDNESDAY NOON Lenten Studies will continue through March 25. Bring a sack lunch and a Bible. Coffee and dessert will be provided. Dr. Truitt will lead this session on "Andrew". The study will adjourn promptly by 1:30.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. John Powell upon the birth of Kristin Ann on February 18.

ARTICLES for The Torch are due in the Secretary's office by Wednesday morning.

DAILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDES are available in the Narthex.

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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT **February 22, 1970**

Brotherhood Sunday **Romans 2:1-11**

We sometimes like to pass judgment on others. It helps to build up ourselves. Paul exposes those who judge their brothers. Yet he strongly affirms God's impartial judgment on all debasing and lifewrecking attitudes and deeds. That judgment falls on whomever and whatever dehumanizes and distorts life. It is not simply some future event. The destructive might of our idolatries and misappropriated resources already is hammering out judgment. But judgment does not come simply to destroy us. It comes to lead us to repentance and new loyalties NOW!

A BURNING DESIRE, SELF-CONFIDENCE, AND HARD WORK

"The primary prerequisite for a scholarship is that you recognize the importance of, and have a burning desire for, a college education. The most important factor is your confidence in yourself and your ability, together with your willingness to work and study hard to develop your potential." In words like these interviewers for the United Church of Christ Commission for Racial Justice have encouraged hundreds of scholarship applicants this past year.

The Commission, which administers a higher education program with help of funds from the Neighbors in Need all-church offering, recognizes that there are non-white individuals in practically every city, town and village throughout the United States who have the capacity to go on to college. However, most of them have never taken, or were never granted, this opportunity for a college education.

Not only must a major revolution come about in the objectives, methods, and organization of elementary schools if future generations are to avoid the pitfalls of today's education gap, but equally drastic changes must take place in college admissions requirements and curriculum planning, lest those of our youngsters who have already been shortchanged by the educational system be lost.

With the cooperation of many of the colleges and universities related to the United Church of Christ, many of the usually inflexible barriers to obtaining a college degree—not least of which is lack of funds—are being overcome for those who can offer only "a burning desire," "self-confidence," and "hard work."

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March 1, 1970 Third Sunday in Lent 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE O Man, Bewail Thy Grievous Fall J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Go to dark Gethsemene
PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)
Loving and patient Father, always forgiving us in our repeated sins, help us to face honestly our pettiness and resentment about the real and imagined injuries inflicted on us by others, and grant us your gifts of patience, understanding, and the ability to forgive. Amen.

*HYMN 8 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

THE EPISTLE LESSON Colossians 3:12-17
* Gloria Patri
THE GOSPEL LESSON John 8:1-11

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH (in unison)

ANTHEM Glory to God (Palestrina) Junior Choir

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord
CHILDREN'S STORY
* Hymn 84 "The Lord's My Shepherd"
THE OFFERING
Offertory Sound the Trumpet, Strike the Cymbal
F. Schubert
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

ERMON Articles of Faith: A Stone

MN 318 "Draw Thou My Soul, O Christ"

ENEDICTION

Choral Response Lord, Let us now depart in Peace

OSTLUDE Toccata in F Major D. Buxtehude

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*Congregation will stand

HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Philip Marino, Jr., in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Marino, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tapscott.

ODAY:

4:00 Confirmation Class
5:00 Junior High Youth
6:30 Senior High Youth
7:30 Board of Deacons

HE CONGREGATION is invited to attend the Senior Voice Recital of Miss Diane Clendennen at three o'clock today in Whitley Auditorium.

ENTEN STUDIES are held each Wednesday Noon in Room 12-14. The Reverend Mr. W. T. Cockman will lead our study this week on "James". Bring a sack lunch and a Bible. Coffee and dessert will be provided.

CONGRATULATIONS to Miss Shelia Beamon and Mr. Michael Aaron Davis whose Service of Marriage was celebrated here February 27.

LOINT SESSION 4, led by Bill Price, will be held next Sunday at seven o'clock on the subject of "How Learning Takes Place".

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING --- NEXT SUNDAY

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FOURTH SUNDAY BEFORE EASTER **March 1, 1970**

I John 4:13-21

Gaps between persons, generations, races, nations are much with us. These fearful estrangements reflect an even deeper one between ourselves and that Heart of Life we call God. What shall "expiate" the gaps? Who shall "take away" the separation? The First Letter of John proclaims that God, in Jesus, already has decisively bridged the gap with his love, not waiting first for us to love him but entering into our lives and freeing us to love with healing power. The bread and cup point to a love that nourishes us for a life of expiation and gap-removal.

A ROCK, A TENT AND A BRIDGE

A community development project undertaken by Church World Service (CWS) in the rocky area below Sparta in Southern Greece today stands incomplete, awaiting the removal of a huge rock which blocks the way of a new road.

Outside Amman, Jordan, tent cities still house tens of thousands of Palestinian refugees. Slowly, however, more permanent homes of concrete and metal, paid for by CWS and other church agencies through the World Council of Churches, are replacing these inadequate shelters.

In the former eastern region of Nigeria known as Biafra, Scandinavian and German Christians—Protestant and Catholic—initiated an air bridge from the island of São Tomé to Biafra, and we through CWS have helped to support it, thus providing a humanitarian response to the starvation which faces tens of thousands of people each day.

In each of these instances, the greatest part of our response in the United Church of Christ has been channeled by the Service Division of our United Church Board for World Ministries through Church World Service. Nearly half of the receipts of the annual One Great Hour of Sharing-Share Our Substance offering go to Church World Service, thus making the United Church the fourth highest denominational donor to CWS projects in some 38 countries.

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Mrs. C. F. Bivins, Guest Organist

March 8, 1970 Fourth Sunday in Lent 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Hymnus E. Lindblom

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)
Almighty God, who sent your Son to be the Bread of Life, grant that coming to him we may never hunger, and believing in him we may never thirst; that, refreshed by the power of his sustaining presence we may walk without fear; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 228 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

THE EPISTLE LESSON Romans 5:1-11
* Gloria Patri
THE GOSPEL LESSON John 13:1-9, 12-17

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH (in unison)

SOLO Come, Praise the Lord Mrs. Al Gminder

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Hear Our Prayers, O Lord
CHILDREN'S STORY
* Hymn 295 "Christ for the World we sing!"
THE OFFERING
Offertory If Thou Art Near J. S. Bach
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Articles of Faith: Towel and Basin

*HYMN 157 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response Lord, Let us now depart in Peace

*POSTLUDE The Power and the Glory Nolte

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*Congregation will stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mrs. Lucille Kluttz in loving memory of her husband, Mr. John D. Kluttz and her father, Mr. Carroll Dean.

TODAY:

4:00	Confirmation Class
5:00	Junior High Youth
6:30	Senior High Youth
7:00	Worship Committee in Hunter Room
7:00-9:00	Loint Session #4, led by Bill Price

THE GENERAL MEETING of the Women's Fellowship is tomorrow evening at 7:30 in the Parish House. The Board will meet at 7:00.

"CHURCH BLOODMOBILE DAY" is Tuesday from 10:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. at the YMCA. Can we have 25 or more people contribute a pint of blood?

THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE meets at 7:00 P.M. Tuesday evening in the Hunter Room.

APPOINTMENT CARDS are being mailed to each of you to select proofs for our Pictorial Directory this week. Please come to the Hunter Room.

ARTICLES FOR THE TORCH are due in the Secretary's office by Tuesday Morning.

OUR LENTEN STUDY on Wednesday Noon of this week will be led by Mr. Rinker on the subject of "Philip".

righteousness

THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE EASTER **March 8, 1970**

One Great Hour of Sharing-Share Our Substance **I Peter 2:19-25**

Righteousness is not some static condition but an active engagement in "setting things right." God's righteousness is his merciful action to establish human wholeness. Such action cannot remain detached from human pain. The crown of thorns points to God's costly suffering in Jesus. It indicates a love willing to endure human hatred to show its depths. The cross is God's "One Great Hour of Sharing," calling us to share in his healing work. To do this with our lives and our gifts is to "follow in his steps" and to know what "righteousness" means.

"ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING-SHARE OUR SUBSTANCE" HELPS CHILDREN

Members of the United Presbyterian Church and the United Church of Christ share in the following projects for children which are supported by Church World Service (CWS):

- Brazil—Lunch program for 54,000 children.
- Haiti—Nutrition education; lunches for 29,000 children.
- Kenya—Orphanages for abandoned children.
- Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, and Israel—Vocational training and Family Service Clinics for refugee children.
- Korea—Social welfare programs; supplementary food for 350 orphanages.
- Central African Republic—Medical and relief assistance for Sudanese refugee children.

The CWS approach is that the child alone has priority over all other considerations and that responsibility for the care of the child receiving church assistance should be assumed by local people and agencies as soon as possible. The One Great Hour of Sharing-Share Our Substance offering is your chance to help children—and through them future generations.

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March 15, 1970 Passion Sunday 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Quem Pastores Willan

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)
O Lord our God, grant us the vision to see the good and scorn the wrong, the will to serve thee as we serve one another, the courage to labor for what is right. We come in our seeking in the name of Jesus whose prayer we make our own.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 372 "How Firm a Foundation"

THE EPISTLE LESSON Romans 8:18-25
* Gloria Patri
THE GOSPEL LESSON Mark 14:32-42; John 19:17-19

ANTHEM "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" Primary Choir

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
A Responsive Prayer (See Insert)
Choral Response Have Mercy on Us, O Lord

CHILDREN'S STORY Mr. Jon White
* Hymn 177 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

THE OFFERING
Anthem "Come, O Thou God of Grace" V. Ford
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Articles of Faith: A Cross

*HYMN 326 "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne"

*BENEDICTION
Choral Response May the Blessing of the Lord be with you

*POSTLUDE Sonata in D Minor Scarlatti

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*Congregation will stand

A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. We are especially pleased to have Mrs. Herman Denny serving as our Guest Organist and Jon White serving as Liturgist of the morning.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God.

THE CONGREGATION IS INVITED to attend the Service of Installation for the Reverend Mr. George W. Stowe as pastor of our Edgewood Church this afternoon at three o'clock.

TOMORROW is the last day to select your proofs for the Pictorial Church Directory. Please come between 3 and 8:30 P.M.

OUR LENTEN STUDY on Wednesday Noon of this week will be led by Dr. W. W. Sloan on the subject of "Judas".

HOSPITALIZED Miss Mary Lee Foster at Memorial
Dr. Fred Emerson at County

THE STEWARDSHIP AND MISSIONARY EDUCATION committee will meet next Sunday evening at 7:00.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH meet this evening at 6:30 in the Parish House.

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SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE EASTER **March 15, 1970**

Romans 8:18-25

Christian hope is not anchored in some wishful thinking about the future. It is anchored in a cross that already has shown God's liberating work as his major action in history. The future is open—open basically to realize the liberation of all men and all things from distortion, pollution and decay. The Spirit of God is at work to unfold a new creation, but its contours already are shown by a love from which nothing can separate us. Christian hope seeks to know the full implication of a gift already given and to participate in God's creative love.

INSTITUTE ON METROPOLITAN ISSUES

Times are changing all around the world today. Nowhere is this more evident than in Japan. There, representatives of the United Church Board for World Ministries and the Commission on Ecumenical Mission and Relations of the United Presbyterian Church work alongside leaders of the United Church of Christ of Japan, the Kyodan. In Japan, these changing times have brought a wide variety of new ways of carrying forward the mission.

One of these new ways is the Institute on Metropolitan Issues. Three years ago, Rev. Oishi Tsuguro, a Tokyo pastor, and a missionary colleague from the United States attended a conference on Urban and Industrial Mission sponsored by the National Christian Council of Japan. Rev. Tsuguro and his colleague were impressed with what they heard and immediately saw the possibility of developing a new style of research/action ministry in Tokyo.

Over the next six months, they visited a number of Kyodan congregations and gathered a small group of ten persons willing to join them in discussing the needs of urban, industrial man. At first they met monthly, but today, organized as the Institute on Metropolitan Issues, they find meeting twice a week none too often. Together they seek ways for the church to relate to the community power centers and to affect the quality of human life in government and politics, social welfare, education and culture, area development, social organization, business and industry, and mass media. Their success thus far suggests that they may have found a real option for other industrial societies, perhaps even our own.

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March 22, 1970 Palm Sunday 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Two Chorales J. S. Bach
What God Hath Done, Is Rightly Done
Now therefore Bless the Lord of All
Trumpet Finale D. Gabrieli

CALL TO WORSHIP Mr. Hamilton

*PROCESSIONAL 155 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

*INTROIT
People: The disciples began to rejoice and praise God.
Choir : Praise ye the Lord.
People: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Choir : Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.
People: Hosanna in the highest!
Choir : Praise ye the Lord.

THE EPISTLE LESSON Philippians 2:5-11

* Gloria Patri

THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 21:1-11

ANTHEM Sanctus (Great Mass No. 3) A. Bruckner

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Keep this Prayer in our Hearts

CHILDREN'S STORY Mr. Updyke

* Hymn 227 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

THE OFFERING
Offertory O God, Look Down from Heaven Above
G. Kauffmann

*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Articles of Faith: Palm Branches

*HYMN 195 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response The Lord will give Strength

*POSTLUDE Trumpet Allemande A. Holborne

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*Congregation will stand

A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. We are especially pleased to have the Reverend Mr. Worden J. Updyke, Sr., of Hunlock Creek, Pa., serving as Liturgist and Jon White and Ronnie Crouch assisting on the trumpets.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Rev. John R. Kittenger and Patricia Jean Kittenger by the family.

TODAY:

4:00	Confirmation Class
4:00	Service of Music in Whitley
5:00	Junior High Youth
6:30	Senior High Youth
7:00	Stewardship and Missionary Education Committee in Hunter Room.

CUB PACK 51, sponsored by our church, meets tomorrow evening at 7:00 in the Parish House.

OUR LENTEN STUDY on Wednesday Noon of this week will be led by Dr. W. T. Scott on the subject of "Thomas".

THE COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE will be held at 7:30 Friday evening at our Shallowford Church.

THOSE WHO WISH to place Easter Lilies in the Chancel next Sunday should have them here by Saturday morning. The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated next Sunday

perseverance

PALM SUNDAY **March 22, 1970**

Hebrews 11:32–12:2

What was the purpose for his triumphal entry? Why did he accept a role that would inevitably lead to the cross? I believe it was for this reason—Jesus Christ was compelling people to make up their minds. For three years he had taught and healed and preached among them. They should have known what he was asking them to do. He had repeated his purpose and mission many times and in many ways. It was a simple message. One did not, and does not, have to be a great scholar to understand it. To love God and your fellowman is difficult—but not complicated. Honesty, humility, forgiveness—these are all human values that do not have to be proved by elaborate arguments. Jesus Christ had presented the truth to men in understandable form and he had demonstrated in his life all that he taught.

If we are truly committed to Christ, this Palm Sunday we will ride with him on the highway of service, we will renew our loyalty to his will and once more dedicate our lives to the furtherance of his Kingdom.

Rev. Warren Graham
United Presbyterian Church
Western Springs, Ill.

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O LOVE OF GOD!
O SIN OF MAN!

SHALLOW FORD UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
GOOD FRIDAY COMMUNITY CHURCH SERVICE
7:30 P.M. March 27, 1970

"At the Crossroads"

On the evening of the sixth day of the Jewish week, a day we call Thursday, the Passover meal was eaten. Then Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it and gave a piece to each of the disciples, saying, "Eat this, for it is my body given for you." Then He took the cup, and when he had given thanks He gave it to each saying, "Drink this, for it is my blood which is poured out for you." Then Jesus said, "This do in remembrance of me. For as often as you eat this bread and drink from the cup, you will proclaim the Lord's death and the fact that He will come again."

There in the upper room Jesus talked with His disciples, comforting them. Then He prayed long and lovingly for them, and for all who would believe in Him. They sang a hymn, then went out to the Mount of Olives.

Thus they came to a "Crossroad". The hour of Decision! What would the disciples do? Which turn would they make?

Organ Prelude
Congregational Hymn 322 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"
Narrator:
First Reading: Matthew 26:30-39
Choir: "Into the Woods my Master Went"
Matthew 26:40-46
Choir: "'Tis Midnight"
Congregational Prayer in unison: O Christ, breathe into my waiting heart Thy best gift--the gift of the Holy Spirit of adequacy and power. Amen.

Narrator:
Second Reading: Matthew 26:47-56

Third Reading: Matthew 26:57-75

Congregational Hymn 378 "In the Hour of Trial"

Congregational Prayer in unison:
O merciful God, blot out my sins from Thy remembrance. Take my hand and lead me in the footsteps of Christ, no matter where they may lead me. Through all that I may be called upon to endure in His name and for His sake, make me sufficient, through Thy power. Amen.

Narrator:
Fourth Reading: Matthew 27:15-31
Fifth Reading: Matthew 27:32-54

Choir: "Were Your There?"

Congregational Prayer in unison: O Christ, I do not know what the future holds, but I know who holds the future. I walk into the future unafraid, strong in Thy strength; sure in Thy assurance; poised in Thy steadiness. Amen.

Narrator:

Choir: "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"

Congregational Prayer in unison: O Father, I thank Thee that Thou dost grant me life--life abundant, free and victorious. I want to walk the road to the Cross with a song in my heart. Amen.

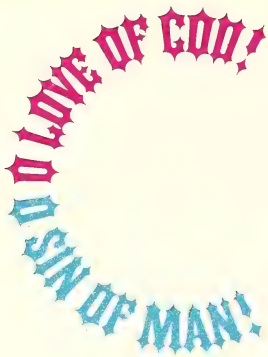
Narrator:
Congregational Hymn 58 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Congregational Prayer in unison: God send the searchlight of Thy Cross into my heart to uncover any hidden, selfish desires in my life. Amen.

Narrator:

Congregational Hymn 330 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

Benediction



GOOD FRIDAY

Love of God. Sin of man. Pious, empty words? Or words that strike with penetration at the heart of human life? Sentimental, religious language? Or language that plunges into the real depths of human experience? And why connect them with a cross and the crucifixion of Jesus as a common criminal?

The sin of man does not point primarily to some superficial failure to do this or not do that. It points to our deep estrangement from what is truly human and to the plaguing results that follow in the subhuman distortions of our individual and corporate life. The sin of man is not peripheral, religious language. It is primary, human language that points to the distortion and despair and death which afflict us as persons and families and communities and nations.

If that is our sin, any sentimental talk about love of God only hides and deepens the estrangement. But the love of God is not superficial sweetness. The words proclaim that at the very heart of our life a creative and self-giving power is present to enter into and heal our estrangement and make us truly human.

Jesus focused and embodied that power with such integrity and concern for people that he did not compromise, even if it meant death as a criminal. His death demonstrates a love that goes all the way. He subjected himself even to distortion and despair and death, and in them he demonstrated the victorious power of such love. The cross declares that self-giving love is not the victim but the victor. There the love of God conquers the sin of man and opens to us all a life that is truly human.

—*Paul L. Hammer*

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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
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Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone: 584-9294
Mrs. Al Hassell, Organist - Jack O. White, Choir Dir.

March 29, 1970 Easter Sunday 11:00 A.M

PRELUDE Christ is Arisen J. S. Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit "Praise Ye the Lord"
*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN OF JOY 182 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

EASTER LITANY (see insert)

SCRIPTURE READING John 20:1-18
John 21:1-14

SERMON Articles of Faith: Bread and Fish

THE PASTORAL PRAYER with Choral Response

ANTHEM O God, I Offer Thanks to Thee Beethoven

THE OFFERING
Offertory In Death's Strong Grasp,
The Savior Lay J. S. Bach
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION
The Invitation
Prayer of Consecration
The Sanctus, 551 (in unison)
Words of Institution
The Communion
* Prayer of Thanksgiving

*THE HYMN 193 "Thine is the Glory"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response "Threefold Amen"

*POSTLUDE Toccata E. Gigout

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*Congregation will stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Mrs. H. D. Lambeth, Sr., Mrs. H. D. Lambeth, Jr., and Mrs. Wautel Seldon by Mr. H. D. Lambeth, Sr., and Family.

THE CHANCEL is also decorated with Easter Lilies, given by several of our families in memory of Miss Marsha Lankford, Dr. H. H. Cunningham, Mr. Melvin R. Hamilton, Mr. Gordon L. Whitener and others.

ARTICLES for the Torch are due in the Secretary's office by Tuesday morning.

APRIL 4 is the Elon College Clean-Up Day. Mr. W. W. Snyder is co-ordinator for the local effort to re-beautify our community.

AN ORIENTATION CLASS for new members will meet in the Secretary's office during the Church School Hour next Sunday. Adults considering church membership are urged to attend and we hope our own members will extend this invitation to persons of their acquaintance.

WELCOME to all who share our worship on this Easter Sunday and especially to the visitors among us. Visitors are asked to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex or one of the cards in the pews. Our common practice is to observe "Open Communion", inviting all professing Christians to join us in this Sacrament of faith.

He was Raised!

EASTER **March 29, 1970**

I Corinthians 15:12-20

For Christians the resurrection of Jesus Christ is no optional extra to be sentimentally celebrated once a year. It is a central affirmation to be dynamically lived every day. The resurrection of Jesus Christ affirms a power to create new life in the face of death. It proclaims a love to conquer tragedy in the midst of hate. It kindles a faith to engage the world in the darkness of fear.

The resurrection of Jesus Christ affirms that what was a future hope already has dawned. The presence of the living Christ means that God's power to give us life is stronger than death now. It means that a love to transform us is mightier than hate now. It means that a faith to activate us is more powerful than fear now.

We cannot "prove" the resurrection and then decide to believe it. Believing it means to risk entering into the affirmation of a risen Lord and discovering that he frees us to meet the personal and public affairs and needs of our world with a new creativity—a creativity that reflects God's power to remake human life, to give it new joy, and to make every day a celebration of Easter that turns mourning into morning.

Dr. Paul L. Hammer
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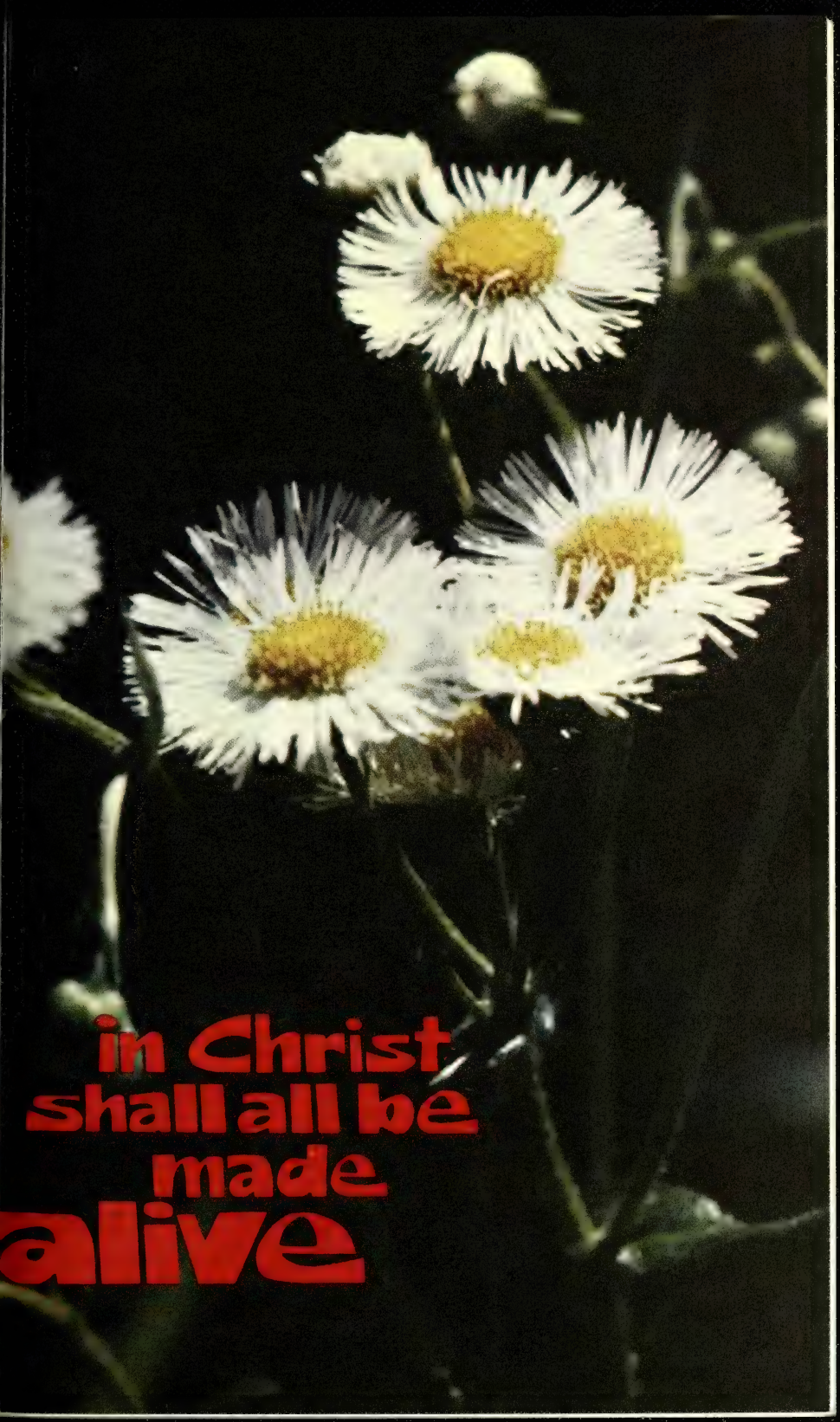
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April 5, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Now God be Praised in Heaven Above (I)
E. Pepping

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit O Come, Let Us Worship

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)
Lord Jesus, grant that the glory of the resurrection may be known to us in Word and Sacrament and thy everlasting presence realized among us, that we may testify to thy victory over the powers of evil. Amen.

*HYMN 35 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"
(Stanzas 1-4)

PSALTER READING 74,P. 520
* Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 19:1-10

ANTHEM Swell The Full Chorus G. F. Handel
Swell the full chorus, sound forth the Lord's prais
our fortress he is and the Ancient of Days.
Flow sweetly the anthems that dwell on his name;
and rouse, all ye nations, in songs to his fame.

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Hear Us, O Lord

CHILDREN'S STORY Miss Barney
* Hymn 418 "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"

THE OFFERING
Offertory Dialogue for Vox Humana F. Couperin
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Seeking, Saving

*HYMN 232 "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

*BENEDICTION
Choral Response Lord, Let us now depart in Peace
*POSTLUDE Now God be Praised in Heaven Above (II)
E. Pepping

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*Congregation will stand

WELCOME to each of you as you worship with us today. We are especially pleased to have Miss Ellen Barney assisting with the Service today. Miss Barney is a sophomore at Meredith College, majoring in Christian Education and Music.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Fields by Dr. and Mrs. Clyde Fields.

TODAY:

4:00	Confirmation Class
5:00	Junior High Youth
6:30	Senior High Youth
6:30	Community Service Committee
7:30	Board of Deacons

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cardwell upon the birth of Reid Allen Cardwell on March 29, 1970.

THE CIRCLES of the Women's Fellowship meet this week. Please note the schedule as it appears in the recent issue of The Torch.

WE JOIN in an expression of Christian Sympathy to Mrs. W. E. Loy and Family upon the death of her husband, William Ervin Loy, on March 31, 1970.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING envelopes are still available.

in Christ shall all be made alive

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **April 5, 1970**

I Corinthians 15:20-28

The joyous affirmation that Jesus Christ is alive is no intramural affair for a few pious Christians. It is an affirmation that embraces the whole human race. The Apostle Paul contrasts Adam ("mankind"), the old humanity in which all men died, with Christ, the new humanity in which all shall be made alive. In him God's power of new creation is at work to affect the life of every man—to open the future for all to enter into the victory of Jesus Christ over death. Flowers come and go, but the conquering love of God is here for everyone forever.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE DELTA?

The Delta Ministry (DM) founded by the National Council of Churches is five years old this year. When it was begun, the problems of black people in Mississippi and the deep South were much in the spotlight. Today the focus has shifted to northern ghettos. The Delta Ministry, however, remains very much alive.

- Grants totalling $10,000 have been secured by DM for voter-registration groups in seven counties.
- $12,750 was raised and spent in a 3-month period for families too poor to buy Government food stamps.
- Tutoring centers have been operated in five counties by students recruited by DM from Northern colleges.
- Tons of food raised through "Hunger Project '69" by DM and five national denominations were distributed to the victims, black and white, of tornadoes.
- Freedom City, now expanding to 300 residents, has given people a chance to build their own homes, to plan their own community and to learn job skills the plantation never gave them.
- Delta Opportunities Corporation, founded by DM but governed by local leaders from nine counties, has expanded its operations and was recently given a grant of $367,777 by the Office of Economic Opportunity.

The Delta Ministry is an active, indigenous arm of the Freedom Movement—an important and increasingly accepted factor of life in Mississippi today. The United Church of Christ has helped the Delta Ministry through contributions from the Board of Homeland Ministries.

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HERE IS
PHYSICAL BODY

THERE IS
A SPIRITUAL BODY

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Mrs. Al Hassell, Choral Director

April 12, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Prelude of Psalm LXVII Edmundson

CHORAL INTROIT Come, O Thou God of Grace
Call to Worship
*PROCESSIONAL 7 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

*UNISON PRAYER
Eternal Shepherd of mankind, lead us in the path of righteousness and guide us by the inspiration of your Spirit that goodness and mercy shall follo us during the length of our days and bring recog-nition and honor to your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
THE EPISTLE LESSON Philippians 2:1-11
* Gloria Patri
THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 6:12-31

ANTHEM Open Our Eyes W. Macfarlane
Open our eyes, O loving and compassionate Jesus, That we may behold thee, walking beside us in our sorrow. Thou hast made death glorious and triumphant; for through its portals we enter into the presence of the Living God.
SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response O Thou Who Hearest Prayer
CHILDREN'S STORY
* Hymn 485 "This is My Father's World"
THE OFFERING
Anthem "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" Junior Choir

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Back to Earth

*HYMN 8 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response God be with You til We Meet Again R. Vaughan Williams

*POSTLUDE Risoluto (Opus 68, No. 5) Parker

Congregation will stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given today to the Glory of God in loving memory of Dr. Konstantinas Avizonis by his wife.

NATIONAL CHRISTIAN COLLEGE DAY is celebrated today. Our two colleges in this conference are Catawba College and Elon College. Please note the insert enclosed with this bulletin.

TODAY:

4:00	Confirmation Class
4:00	Parents of Junior High Youth
5:00	Junior High Youth
6:30	Senior High Youth
7:00	Loint Session #5, led by Dr. Gminder

THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE will meet Tuesday, April 14 at 7:30 in the Hunter Room. Your attendance is necessary for the most effective work of this committee.

AN ORIENTATION CLASS for new members will meet next Sunday at 9:45 in the office of the Secretary.

A COMMUNITY CHURCH CENSUS will be held on April 26. Additional volunteers are still needed for the one afternoon's work.

THE KINDERGARTEN COMMITTEE will meet Thurs. at 7:30.

THERE IS A SPIRITUAL BODY

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **April 12, 197**

COCU Sunday **I Corinthians 15:35-5**

For the Apostle Paul the resurrection of the dead is not the reviva of the old. For him "body" does not mean corpse but person, and re surrection means creating a new form for that personhood. He contrast the old as "physical" with the new as "spiritual." This has nothin to do with the "immortality of the soul," a Greek philosophical idea It has to do with God's power to bring new life for the person out o death, to turn the cross from a symbol of death into a symbol of life, t give us confidence that "death is swallowed up in victory."

CONSULTATION ON CHURCH UNION

For nearly a decade the United Church of Christ has been an officia participant in the Consultation on Church Union—COCU for short At present there are nine member-denominations: the United Church o Christ, the United Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., the Episcopa Church, the United Methodist Church, the Christian Church (Disciple of Christ), the Presbyterian Church in the United States, the Africar Methodist Episcopal Church, the African Methodist Episcopal Zior Church and the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church. In addition 20 other denominations and councils of churches are official "observer-delegates" to COCU.

In the past few years there has been increasing cooperation and planning by COCU participants at the national level. Executives of major mission boards and agencies, for example, get together regularly. Now COCU calls upon local congregations to enter the process of cooperation, seeking ways of working more closely together toward the aim of the Consultation: that the church at the local level may be effectively and creatively engaged in God's mission.

A commission appointed by COCU is currently at work on a "Plan of Union" which will be submitted to the participating denominations for consideration by their congregations. Watch for periodic reports of progress and plan to participate in discussions of church union when these reports are presented for study in your locality.

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WE HAVE BEEN BORN ANEW

HIS GREAT MERCY

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Mrs. Al Hassell, Choral Director

April 19, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Ein Feste Burg Edmunson

CHORAL INTROIT Come, O Thou God of Grace
Call to Worship
*PROCESSIONAL 366 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

*UNISON PRAYER
O God, the Revealer of the distortions we cherish, turn the light of your healing judgment upon our blindness that our eyes may be opened to behold the figure of Christ whose own we are, whose Spirit we embrace, and by whose light we live for the glory of your name. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 36:5-9
* Gloria Patri
THE GOSPEL LESSON John 9:1-11

ANTHEM My Soul I Dedicate Charles Wood
This sanctuary of my soul, unwitting I keep white and whole, unlatched and lit, if Thou shouldn't care to enter or to tarry there. With parted lips and outstretched hands and listening ears Thy servant stands.

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Litany of Thanks (see insert)
Choral Response O Thou Who Hearest Prayer
CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 447 "O God of Love, O King of Peace"
THE OFFERING
Offertory Adoration Dubois
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON The Lights of Light

*HYMN 383 "Forward Through the Ages"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response God be with You til We Meet Again R. Vaughan Williams

*POSTLUDE Fanfare for a Ceremony Carrier

Congregation will stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mrs. A. I. Braxton and Family in memory of Archie I. Braxton. The arrangement on the organ console is an offering to God by Dr. and Mrs. Vytautas Avizonis in memory of Dr. Konstantinas Avizonis.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE is conducted this morning at St. Mark's Church for Chaplain Commander Lester I. Somers who was one of eleven persons killed in a plane crash in Okinawa last week. Representing us at this Memorial Service are Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Snyder.

ON APRIL 19, 1891, nineteen persons met together to formally organize the Elon College Community Church. Pictures from the 75th Anniversary Celebration may be found in the Narthex today.

TODAY: 12:15 Some young people and adults will visit a Synagogue and Roman Catholic Church in Greensboro.
5:00 Junior High Youth
6:30 Senior High Youth at Dollars
7:30 Stewardship and Missionary Education Committee in Hunter Room

THE MAY FELLOWSHIP Luncheon of Church Women United will be held May 1 at 12 noon at Church of the Holy Comforter. Reservations by April 24 - Mrs. Danieley.

BORN ANEW

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **April 19, 1970**

I Peter 1:3-9

The letter known as I Peter may include what was an earlier Christian baptismal sermon to new converts. Baptism was a time to celebrate God's merciful gift of birth into a new life-style. It was a time to declare an unshakeable confidence in God's future whether in death or life, in suffering or joy. It was a time to proclaim the power of a living Christ at work in human lives. Baptism is no religious rite on the periphery of Christian life. It focuses on that faith and hope and love that are to be the daily pattern of our lives.

A NEW SOURCE OF *POWER* IN BEAUMONT

Beaumont, Texas, is a medium-sized Southern city with a rural background that has become industrialized. From the great oil discoveries of the Lucas Gusher and Spindletop Field until World War II, Mobil Oil and its Magnolia Refinery were the dominant factors in the city's development. Unfortunately, however, that development largely by-passed the black people who today make up two-thirds of the population. The life-style of many of these people has been a downward spiral: limited income and limited collateral leads to limited low-cost credit opportunities and subsequent increasing indebtedness, lawsuits, re-possessions, garnishment of wages, loss of jobs, loss of property, evictions, court costs, poor credit rating, unemployment, poor diet, poor health, poor housing, loss of hope.

This past year, Beaumont has seen the birth of a new organization POWER, Inc., a community organization which is in part sponsored by the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries, the South Central Conference of the UCC and our Commission on Racial Justice. Many of Beaumont's people today see POWER as an alternative to violence for altering and modifying their circumstances. POWER (the letters stand for People Organized with Economic Resources) has already organized five neighborhood associations, created a job-referral center and training programs of various sorts. A consumer action program, family financial counseling center, and a buyer's club provide Beaumont's black people with a chance to better their conditions and their community.

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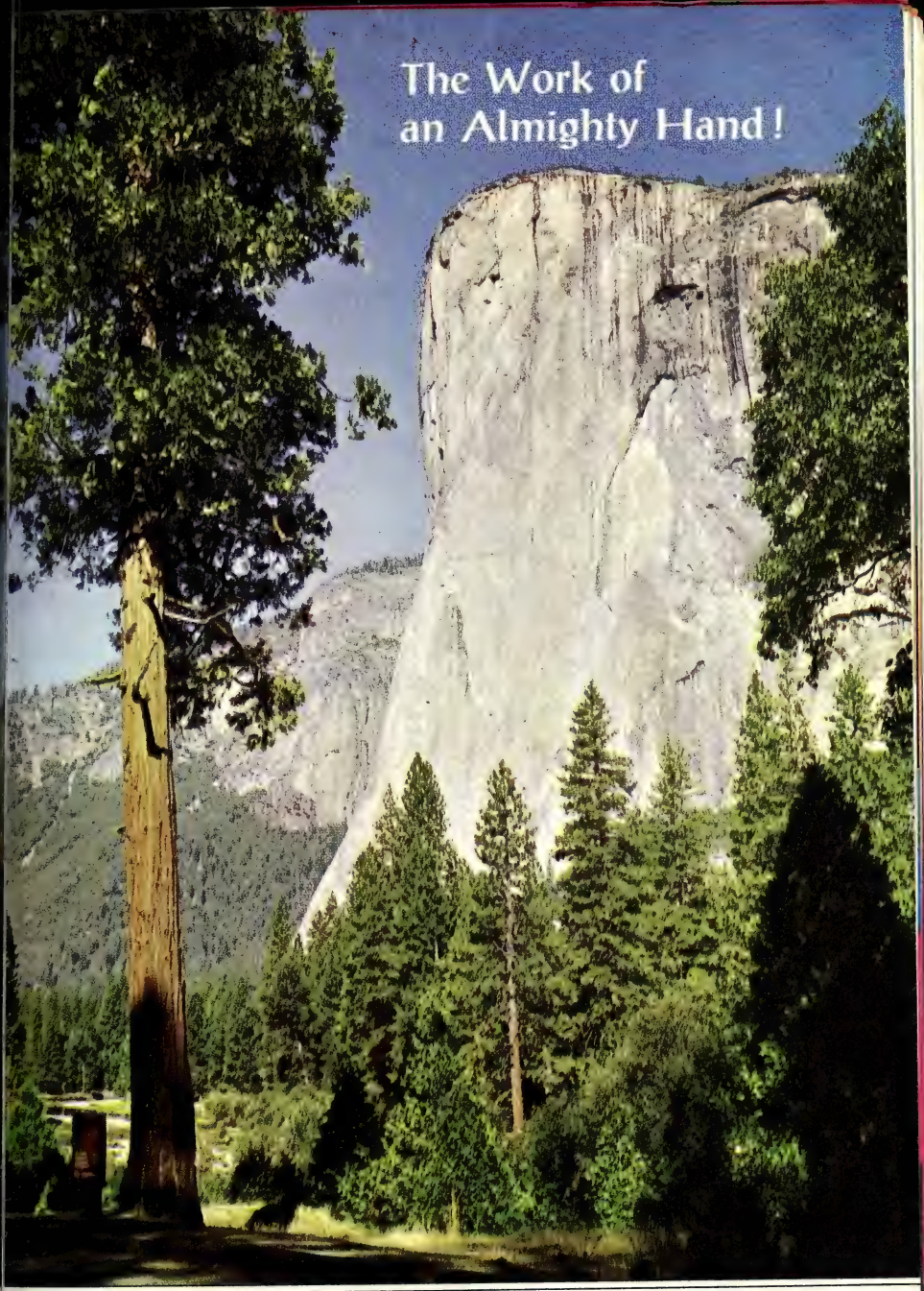

The Elon Home for Children

Elon College, North Carolina

Ground Breaking Service

McFARLAND ACTIVITIES BUILDING

HARDEN COTTAGE

McEWEN COTTAGE

April 26, 1970 — 2:00 P.M.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

INVOCATION ..... Rev. Thomas Hamilton

LITANY ..... Dr. Walstein W. Snyder

Leader: For men and women of vision, who by their dreams have made this day of fulfillment possible,

People: We express our heartfelt thanks.

Leader: For all of those who have thought and planned and given of themselves to this worthy project,

People: We express our heartfelt thanks.

Leader: For those who have designed the structure, and all by whose hands and skill and toil this building will be completed,

People: We express our heartfelt thanks.

Leader: For the many who will labor in the securing of funds, for all who will invest of their substance with generosity and cheerfulness.

People: We express our heartfelt thanks.

Leader: To the glory of God the Father, to the honor of Jesus Christ His only begotten Son, our Saviour and to the praise of the Holy Spirit our Comforter:

People: We break this ground.

Leader: To the comradeships of youth and all good employments and pleasures for their bodies, minds and spirits:

People: We break this ground.

ADDRESS ..... Mr. Jackson Hoyle
Director of Social Service
The Children's Home
Winston-Salem, N. C.

GROUND BREAKING:

Representative of Johnston Hall 1: ..... Benny Gray
Representative of Johnston Hall 2: ..... Lawrence Wallace
Representative of Wisseman Cottage: ..... Cathy Holland
Representative of Clyde Rudd Cottage: ..... Ann Chriscoe
Representative of Montgomery Cottage: ..... Tina Robertson
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Representative of Nazareth Home: ..... Howard Regan
Representative of the
Southern Conference: ..... Rev. Richard Rinker
Representative of the
Elon Home for Children: ..... Dr. W. W. Snyder

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION ..... Dr. John G. Truitt

HYMN ..... "For The Beauty Of The Earth"

For the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies,
Christ our God, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above,
For all gentle thought and mild,
Christ our God, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For Thy Church that evermore,
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore
Her pure sacrifice of love,
Christ our God, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

CLOSING PRAYER AND
BENEDICTION ..... Dr. William T. Scott

IF WE ARE FAITH LESS

HE REMAINS FAITH FUL

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Mrs. Al Hassell, Choral Director
Miss Diane Clendennen, Junior Choir Director

April 26, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Festive Prelude, Op. 88, No. 5 Hulse

CHORAL INTROIT Spirit of the Living God
Call to Worship
*PROCESSIONAL 446 "God the Omnipotent"

*UNISON PRAYER
Lord God, keep before us the challenge and excitement of the truth found in Christ, that all our days may be spent in preparing the way of the Lord for the coming of his kingdom and for that life which is both realized and eternal. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 119:1-16
* Gloria Patri
THE GOSPEL LESSON II Timothy 2:1-15

ANTHEM Blessing and Honor C. Mueller

THE PASTORAL PRAYER Choral Response

THE OFFERING
Offertory Anthem Rejoice, O My Spirit Bach
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
SERMON The Vows We Make

THE SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION
Invitation
The Vows
The Statement of Faith
The Sacrament of Baptism

Laying on of Hands
Reception of other New Members
Congregation: Beloved, we greet you with joy. We pledge to you our friendship in the Lord, and will give you our support in prayer and service that you may continue to grow in the knowledge and love of God and be witnesses of Jesus Christ our risen Lord

YMN 371 "He Who Would Valiant Be"

ENEDICTION Seven-Fold Amen J. Stainer

OSTLUDE O Ewigkeit, Du Donnerwart Karg-Elert

Congregation will stand

E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mrs. T. E. Gilliam, Sr. and Family in memory of Mr. T. E. Gilliam, Sr.

W MEMBERS are received into our church fellowship today. Members of the Confirmation Class are Sheree Atkinson, Buddy Boyd, Tom Hamilton, Kay Matlock, Bill Price, and Robin Smith. Robert Wicker is received by Letter of Transfer from the First Congregational Christian Church of Asheville. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dollar and Mrs. K. V. Cepas are received as associate members.

: WELCOME the Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority Sisters of Elon College and the national advisors present this weekend to induct this chapter as a part of the National Sorority.

HE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Hurst upon the death of his sister, Mrs. Zenith Hurst Velie, on April 22, 1970.

AMILY NIGHT - Next Sunday at 5:30.

HE REMAINS FAITHFUL

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **April 26, 1970**

II Timothy 2:8-13

The biblical writings realistically recognize the frequent faithlessness of men but the constant faithfulness of God. The movement of the passage from II Timothy almost leads us to expect: "If we are faithless, he will be faithless." But no! A faithless God is a self-contradiction. At the time, churches were challenged by persons who would have underminded the very foundation of faith in Jesus. The letter calls Christians to firm up their life and leadership and to respond with exemplary faith and conduct to their always faithful Lord.

A REAL WINNER

Charles Pfukwa pored over the big science textbook in the school library. Surely he would find something which he could make for the Young Scientist Exhibition in Salisbury. Then it hit him. The book was talking about how a student could make carbon dioxide. And while Charles didn't have the vinegar and bicarbonate of soda called for, he did remember that he had seen wood ashes his mother used in cooking sometimes exhibit the same bubbly reaction described in the text. So he got an old bottle, put in some wood ashes and tried to reproduce the experiment. His experiment was the essence of simplicity: Put ashes and citrus juices in the bottle, put a cork in the top, shake it—and see how far the cork will pop.

The judges at the exhibition were impressed, too, for they awarded Charles the first prize for the lower primary school section—the sum of twenty pounds. Altogether four of the eight boys from the Big Tree School who entered the contest came home with prizes—not bad for a small mission school with only 47 pupils!

The Big Tree School, perhaps the only interracial primary school in Rhodesia, is part of our mission through the United Church Board for World Ministries.

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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina

Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone: 584-9294
Miss Anna Rose Marino, Guest Organist
Mrs. Al Hassell, Choral Director

May 3, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Entrada Torres

CHORAL INTROIT Spirit of the Living God
Call to Worship
*PROCESSIONAL 68 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

*UNISON PRAYER
Be Thou, O God, among us in this holy place. Graciously work in our hearts such awareness of our need, such faith in thy love, such desire for thy blessing that we may put all our trust in Thee. Amen.

THE EPISTLE LESSON Ephesians 1:15-23
* Gloria Patri
THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 24:44-53

ANTHEM The Heavens are Telling J. Haydn
(From "The Creation")
SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People Choral Amen
CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 300 "Rise Up, O Men of God!"
THE OFFERING
Anthem The Lone, Wild Bird D. Johnson
The lone, wild bird in loftyflight is still with thee nor leaves thy sight. And I am thine! I rest in thee. Great Spirit, come and rest in me. The ends of the earth are in thy hand.
Betty Moffett, Soprano; Winifred Barney, Contralto; A. S. Moffett, Baritone

The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

ERMON God's Earth

YMN 423 "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"

ENEDICTION

Choral Response Seven-fold Amen J. Stainer

OSTLUDE Praise be to God in the Highest Zachau

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HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Miss Marsha Lankford by Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Lankford.

CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we greet and welcome the visitors among us, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex.

OU ARE INVITED to the Missions Fair Family Night this evening. Bring a covered dish to the Parish House at 5:30. The program will focus on our mission work in Africa, Central America, and the Middle East and will adjourn at seven o'clock.

HE BOARD OF DEACONS meets at 7:30 this evening in the Hunter Room

OSPITALIZED: Hurley Whitesell, Sr., at McPherson Hospital, Durham.

HE PUBLIC HEALTH CLINIC meets in the Parish House on Tuesday afternoon, from 2 until 4.

HE LAITY WORKSHOP for men and women is this afternoon (2:30 - 5:30) at First Christian Church. The workshop is especially intended for persons in positions of planning in our local congregation.

above every name

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **May 3, 197**

Ephesians 1:15-2

Among conflicting loyalties, to what shall we give our highest allegiance? My country first? My race first? My family first? Me first? The Ephesian Letter is deeply concerned about the unity both of the church and o all things, but the writer knows that all secondary loyalties are divisive Only a primary loyalty to the Lord of all can bring unity. That Lor does not create unity by royal decree. He does so by entering into ou distorted loyalties to love us, to destroy our hostilities, and to call u to be citizens of his one world.

THE UNIFYING FORCE OF MISSION

What happens to the role of churches in Burlington, Vermont, whe a growing "smaller city" suddenly finds itself becoming part of the grea urban expanse of the eastern seaboard?

To provide Catholics, Protestants, and Jews with a joint instrumen for influencing the quality of life in this fast-changing community, religiou leaders undertook a bold new venture in mission called BEAM, th Burlington Ecumenical Action Ministry. Already, the 14-membe BEAM Development Council, chaired by Presbyterian pastor Willia Hollister, is working through special task forces to deal with problem of housing, public education, industrialization, and justice in huma relations. Council members include United Church of Christ and othe clergymen, laymen and women. Among them are two doctors, a lawye a retailer, an industrial engineer, and a journalist.

Besides involving churches, civic groups, and concerned individual in projects to upgrade the total life of Burlington, BEAM is experiment ing with the formation of ecumenical congregations whose member seek to relate their style of worship to their special tasks as self-conscio Christians in the midst of urban change.

This messiage is prepared for joint use by the United Presbyterian Church and the United Church o Christ.

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JESUS. . .WITH LOUD CRIES AND TEARS

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May 10, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE
Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now — J. S. Bach
Choral Dorien — J. Alain
Cantabile — C. Franck
Trumpet Voluntary in D Major — H. Purcell
(Mrs. Al Hassell at the organ)

CHORAL INTROIT Lo, God is Here — G. T. Holst
Call to Worship

*PROCESSIONAL 246 "Come, Thou Almighty King"

*UNISON PRAYER
Be Thou, O God, among us in this holy place. Graciously work in our hearts such awareness of our need, such faith in thy love, such desire for thy blessing, that we may put all our trust in Thee. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON — Deuteronomy 5
* Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON — James 2:1-13

ANTHEM All Things Bright and Beautiful
Primary Choir

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People — Choral Amen

CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 466 "Our Father, By Whose Name"

THE OFFERING
Anthem Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
E. Thiman

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

ERMON Counsel From The Pews

YMN 63 "Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing"
(Stanzas 1 and 2)

ENEDICTION

Choral Response God be with You til We Meet Again R. Vaughan Williams

OSTLUDE Psalm 19 B. Marcello

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E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. James B. MacDonald in memory of their mothers, Mrs. James B. MacDonald, Sr., and Mrs. John R. Copeland.

E FINAL LOINT SESSION for those concerned with developing church leadership is this evening from 7:00 to 8:30. Louis Wilkins will lead this session on "Worship".

E CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE meets Tuesday evening at 7:00 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Hughes. Some of the college students are invited to come at 7:30.

CATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be June 8-12. Some few additional teachers are still needed. Please volunteer your services to Mrs. McLelland or Mrs. Price.

EASE NOTE that we will hold a 9:30 A.M. Combined Church School - Church Worship on May 24 in order that many of our members can attend the college baccalaureate services.

WITH LOUD CRIES AND TEARS

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **May 10, 1970**

Festival of the Christian Home **Hebrews 5:1-10**

Jesus was no seemingly human figure. He shared the full agony of human life, not to suffer for suffering's sake but to enter that life as a priest, a bearer of God's healing love. He was the expression of God's tender outreach and compassionate desire to hold the whole world in his hands. He made a new path for persons and families and races and nations to follow. That path leads to a life marked by brotherly love and to a "city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God." How long until we entrust ourselves to the True Architect?

"NOW IS THE TIME . . ."

"Ya es el tiempo para un año nuevo en las escuelas. . . ." "It is time now for a new year in school," said the voice clearly over the television set. "Now is the beginning of the year for Sunday school." Ricardo Saucedo usually didn't pay much attention to the advertisements which interrupt programs in Honduras just as they do in the U. S. A., but this time something attracted his interest. "There's a place here for you. . . ." the voice continued as a vacant chair flashed on the screen. No specific church address was given, only the sponsor's name, the Evangelical and Reformed Synod of Honduras.

Ricardo's interest was aroused and on Sunday he found his way to First E&R Church in downtown San Pedro Sula. After the Sunday School, he turned to his neighbor and asked some questions about the Bible and about the congregation. An introduction to the pastor brought the promise of a pastoral call. And later, after attending catechetical classes, Ricardo became part of the Christian fellowship.

Old evangelism with a new twist? Perhaps, but the concern of the church in Honduras as in the United States is not merely adding names to the roll but offering people an opportunity to live the Christian life in its fullness. The television advertisement, one of several one-minute spot announcements planned by local church leaders and representatives of our United Church Board for World Ministries working closely together, is doing its part to prepare the way and encourage the first step.

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to each is given the spirit for the common good

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Mrs. Al Hassell, Choral Director
Miss Diane Clendennen, Junior Choir Director

May 17, 1970 Pentecost Sunday 11:00 A.M

PRELUDE Choral and Allegro from Suite Gothique Boellmann

CHORAL INTROIT Let Every Tongue Adore Thee Bach

Call to Worship

*PROCESSIONAL 64 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

*UNISON PRAYER

O Eternal God, who didst send the Holy Spirit upon the Church on the day of Pentecost, let this same Spirit lead us into all truth, defend us from all sin, enrich us with thy gifts, refresh us with thy comfort, rule our hearts in all things, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 11:1-9

* Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Selected Verses of Acts 2

STATEMENT OF FAITH

ANTHEM Our God, The Great Provider Junior Choir

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People Choral Amen

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 269 "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

THE OFFERING

Anthem Come, O Thou God of Grace V. Ford

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON What Pentecost Won't Let us Forget

YMN 245 "Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me"

ENEDICTION

Choral Response Seven-Fold Amen J. Stainer

OSTLUDE Postlude in G Major Handel

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DAY

4:00 Elon Madrigal Singers in Whitley Auditorium
5:00 Junior High Youth
5:30 Senior High Youth

EXT SUNDAY we will combine Church School and Church Worship. We will meet for worship at 9:30 and will be dismissed promptly by 10:15 in order that our people can attend the Baccalaureate Service in the Memorial Gymnasium at 11:00 o'clock.

ACATION CHURCH SCHOOL will be June 8-12. Please return a registration blank for each child by next Sunday. Additional forms are on the Narthex Table.

OSPITALIZED Mrs. W. C. Perry, Jr. at Memorial Hospital.

ERSONS who wish to order additional copies of the Pictorial Directory are asked to call the church office tomorrow morning.

PENTECOST **May 17, 1970**

Pentecost is celebrated as the birthday of the church. It celebrates the Spirit as the giver of power who binds persons together across all cultural and national and social and economic barriers into a functional peace corps, a team that seeks to embody and extend God's health in the life of the world.

The Spirit desires to equip each person, not for doing "his own thing" as a rugged individualist but for making his own particular contribution "for the common good." A person's capacities are to complement and enhance the work of the whole team. Each member needs the unique participation of every other member. On this corps there are no members that are not needed.

But what is the purpose of this corps? That purpose is expressed in the confession, "Jesus is Lord." His life and the breadth of his compassion, his death and the depths of his love, his resurrection and the power of new creation—these are the marks of a corps empowered by the Spirit of the Lord.

Pentecost is not a birthday celebration for reminiscing about the past. It is one for looking to the future for the ways in which the Spirit will use us in transforming the world for the good of the whole human family.

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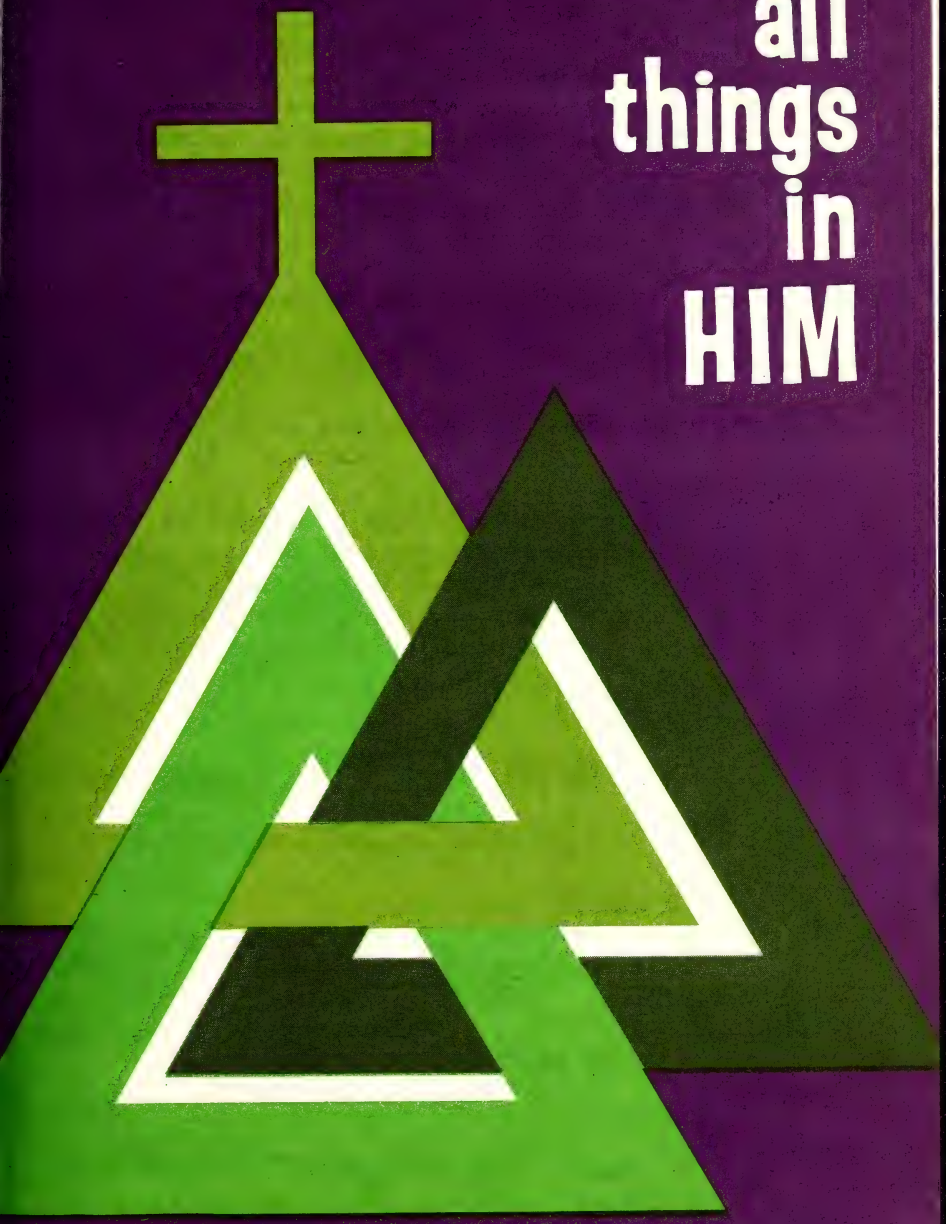
to unite all things in HIM



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May 24, 1970 9:30 A.M.

PRELUDE Our Father Who Art In Heaven J. C. Bach

CHORAL INTROIT Come to the Father

*PROCESSIONAL 35 "When Morning Gilds the Skies" (Stanzas 1-4)

*UNISON PRAYER

Open our eyes, O God, unto the light of the world; open our minds to the mind of Christ; open our hearts unto thy love; open our souls unto faith. So unite us, heart and mind, in our worship, for we gather in the name of Christ our Lord in whose name we also pray:

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Philippians 2:1-11

ANTHEM Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness G. F. Handel

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People Choral Amen

THE OFFERING

Offertory Voluntary Purcell

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

MOVIE "Your Amazing Mind"

*HYMN 485 "This is My Father's World"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response God be with You til We Meet Again R. Vaughn Williams

*POSTLUDE With Pomp and Ceremony Boalt

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THE MOVIE we view today, "Your Amazing Mind" was purchased by several of our clergymen and given to the Burlington Police Department. It is a part of their educational program on drugs and is available for public use.

THE SERVICE TODAY is held early in order that our people can attend the Elon College Baccalaureate at 11:00 o'clock in Memorial Gymnasium. The Commencement Program is at three o'clock. We will return to our regular schedule of Church School at 9:45 and Church Worship at 11:00 next Sunday.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL registrations are due today or next Sunday. Following the Service today, Mrs. Price and Mrs. McLelland will be receiving registrations.

MRS. JEANNETTE HASSELL completes today her work with us as Organist and Director of Music. They will soon be moving to New York City where she will be enrolled in the School of Sacred Music of Union Seminary. Al, Jeannette, Eddie -- Godspeed, come back soon.

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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **May 24, 197**

Trinity Sunday **Ephesians 1:3-1**

There is no *doctrine* of the Trinity in the New Testament, but affirmatio of the existence of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit permeates its pages Why? Because they point to the experience shared by all Christians o the creative, healing, and present power of one God. They are indicator of the fullness of God's activity in human life. They are verbal handle to express the three ways in which we have experienced God's origi nating, restoring, and sustaining work.

The Ephesian Letter speaks of all three, the writer focusing on the pur pose of the Father that is expressed in Christ and guaranteed by th Spirit. For him Christ's coming declares God's purpose to unite al things, and the unity of the Spirit that we already experience is th advanced assurance of the future unity of everything.

Such unity is not a static monism, a dead sameness. It is a unity tha embraces diversity—the diversity of varied gifts. But that diversit is not intended to divide. It is intended to enrich the process of growin up in love into the full maturity of Christ. This purpose of the Fathe in the Son is effected by the continuing power of the Spirit.

In a world filled with a diversity that often is divisive, our celebratio of the Trinity points to a diversity that is uniting. It is a unity that seek not a sterile uniformity but an enriching harmony of everybody and every thing in the world.

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alive to god

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Mrs. Maurine Gminder, Guest Director

May 31, 1970 11:00 A.M

PRELUDE Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word Walthe

CHORAL INTROIT Come to the Father Hols

Call to Worship

*PROCESSIONAL 6 "O Worship the King"

*UNISON PRAYER

Thou hast invited us to come unto thee and find our rest. Lord God, we come. Grant us thy divine grace and help us to do justly, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with thee. Unite us in word and spirit as we pray our Master's Prayer: Our Father.....

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON John 1:19-34; 10:40-4

* Gloria Patri

STATEMENT OF FAITH

RECOGNITION OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

ANTHEM Our God is One God Angel

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People Choral Amen

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 353 "Lord, I Want to be a Christian"

THE OFFERING

Offertory Fantasia Gabrieli

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON <u>They Did No Miracle</u>

*HYMN 380 "March on, O Soul" (stanzas 1-3)

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response Create in Me Mueller

*POSTLUDE Toccata Frescobaldi

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Snyder in memory of Mr. C. M. Mann and Mr. L. W. Snyder.

WE RECOGNIZE TODAY and congratulate our seniors who will be graduated this week from area high schools. They are: Shelia Beamon Davis, Tom Edgerton, Sara Everette, Calvin Gammon, Jerry Gammon, Jane McLelland, Barry Oxford, Charles Parker, Elia Ann Snyder, Bobby Trollinger, and John Wells.

THE BURLINGTON DISTRICT YOUTH RALLY for Middle Highs and Senior Highs will be held this afternoon at 2:30 in the Parish House.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL will be June 8-12. Following the Service today, Mrs. Price and Mrs. McLelland will be receiving registrations.

THE COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM for our Weekday Kindergarten is Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the Parish House.

ARTICLES for The Torch are due in the Secretary's Office tomorrow morning.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **May 31, 197**

Romans 6:1-1

What does "sin" mean to you? For the Apostle Paul, sin basically i the misdirection of human life away from its true purpose. It is th rebellious distortion of man's life away from God that leads to the multipl distortions of man's life in society. God's answer was the gift of a love i Jesus Christ that reached into human life to give it new direction and t refashion it in his image. Is our need any different? Has our sophist cated technology solved the human problem? Or do we still need t rediscover for ourselves: "Dead to sin . . . Alive to God"?

HELPING RETIRED MINSTERS

Through the Pension Boards of United Church of Christ, churche and institutions of our denomination care for the retirement years of th ministers who have served them. Almost every one of our churche now pays an amount equal to 11% of the minister's salary each yea toward his annuity and pension. When the minister retires, he receive the maximum annuity made possible by these funds.

For some ministers and widows, however, the annuities are to small. These are ministers who served at very low salaries and who pai dues in pre-inflation dollars. The whole church is concerned about them Through *Our Christian World Mission* church members make possibl supplementary benefits for these ministers and widows. About 1,50 retired ministers and widows receive such supplementary benefits As the cost of living continues to advance, it is especially importan to give generously to *Our Christian World Mission* so that this fin group of men and women will not suffer.

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MAGNOLIA MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

MEMORIAL SERVICE

JUNE 7, 1970

4:00 P.M.

Magnolia Cemetery

Elon College, North Carolina

For all the saints
  who from their labors rest,
Who thee by faith
  before the world confessed;
Thy name, O Jesus,
  be forever blest,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

PROGRAM

Invocation.....Dr. J. G. Truit

Hymn.....O Worship the Kin

Memoirs.....Dr. J. G. Truit

Hymn..... Breathe on Me, Breath of Go

Memorial Address.....Rev. T. R. Hamilto

Annual Business Meeting

Benediction Dr. J. G. Truit

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MAGNOLIA MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS FOR 1970-1971

President	E. S. Lankford
Vice President	Miss Nannie D. Reitzel
Secretary	John W. Barney, Jr.
Treasurer	Miss Nina Matlock

O Worship the King

O worship the King, all glorious above,
O gratefully sing His power and His love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love,
And do what Thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
So shall I never die,
But live with Thee the perfect life
Of Thine eternity.

Deceased to be Memorialized

Mrs. Lizzie S. Amick	July 1969
Mrs. Mabel G. Cox	September 1969
Mrs. Annie G. Lawrence	September 1969
Mrs. Katherine S. Pritchett	October 1969
Gerald Edge Hook	February 1970
W. E. Loy, Sr.	March 1970
Willie T. Robinson	April 1970

MAGNOLIA MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION
Treasurer's Report
May 1, 1969 - May 1, 1970

Balance May 1, 1969		
Checking Account	$ 450.59	
Savings Certificates	2,200.00	$2,650.5
Receipts		
Dues	443.00	
Dividends	108.00	551.0
Disbursements		
Postal Supplies - Printing	16.50	16.5
Balance, May 1, 1970		
Checking Account	485.09	
Savings Certificates	2,700.00	$3,185.0

Note:

Checking account includes Magnolia Tree Fund balance of $93.50

On January 9, 1970, $500.00 was transferred from checking account to savings certificate.

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June 7, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Fantasia Purvis

CHORAL INTROIT The Lord is in His Holy Temple
Call to Worship
*PROCESSIONAL 247 "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

*UNISON PRAYER
Thou hast invited us to come unto thee and find our rest. Lord God, we come. Grant us thy divine grace and help us to do justly, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with thee. Unite us in word and spirit as we pray our Master's Prayer: Our Father.....
NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Luke 8:40-48
* Gloria Patri
STATEMENT OF FAITH

SERVICE OF COMMISSIONING

ANTHEM Out of the Depths I Cry to Thee W. James

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People Choral Amen
CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 84 "The Lord's My Shepherd"
THE OFFERING
Offertory
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
SERMON Personal Contact

*HYMN 433 "God of Our Fathers"

ENEDICTION

Choral Response	Create in Me	Mueller
OSTLUDE	Allegretto	Wesley

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*Congregation will stand

CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. We greet and welcome the visitors among us, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex. Especially we welcome George Cannon who joins our church staff this week as choir director.

E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mrs. Lois Bost in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McAdams.

E ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held this afternoon at four o'clock at the Magnolia Cemetery and will be led by Dr. John G. Truitt and our Pastor.

NIGHT the Worship Committee meets at 7:00 and the Board of Deacons at 7:30.

R VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL begins tomorrow morning at nine o'clock and will continue each morning this week. The Service of Commissioning for teachers and staff is held this morning.

HE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP General Meeting is tomorrow evening at 7:30 in the Parish House. The Board will meet at 7:00.

HE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE will hold its Fifth Annual Meeting on Tuesday and Wednesday at Catawba College. Dr. A. L. Hook is our official delegate and others are welcome as visitors. The Church Women and Churchmen's Fellowship will meet on Tuesday Morning.

boast of the Lord

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **June 7, 19**

I Corinthians 1:26-

Do you like to boast? Job success, good grades, athletic prowess, a tistic talent, family name, church affiliation? It seems to help build up. But Paul challenges such boasting. Why? Because it tends to brea down, not build up, human relationships. The love seen on the cro is no act of boasting. It is God's crowning entrance into the depth of our life to build us up. He makes all our self-building needless an foolish. He frees us, not to add to human hurt but to share his healin work. Of that healing we can boast!

CALL FOR RENEWAL AT RYDER

When officials of the Puerto Rico Department of Public Healt inspected the aging buildings of Ryder Memorial Hospital in Humaca a few years ago, their verdict was clear: the buildings must be brough up to standard or the hospital would be closed! Ryder Hospital, whic began as a small clinic in 1914, today serves some 4,500 resident pa tients each year, and as many as 40,000 patients in its out-patient clinic

Ryder Hospital, related to the United Church through the Boar for Homeland Ministries, has an accredited training school for practica nurses, one of two such non-governmental schools in Puerto Rico. Ryde is one of only twelve non-profit hospitals on the island. It is one o only three hospitals located in rural areas, and has the only blood ban in eastern Puerto Rico. It has the only fully accredited rehabilitatio center on the island. Ryder conducts a full-time research program i population control, and has the only pharmacy in the area.

To close the hospital was out of the question; it must be improved Interestingly enough, the Puerto Rico government thinks so highly o Ryder Hospital's contribution to medicine in Puerto Rico that it ha offered the hospital a grant of $2 million when Ryder raises $1 million The United Church of Christ is helping in the building program i several ways. Ryder is the recipient of some $90,000 from the Famil Thank Offering. Several conferences of the United Church—to which Ryder is officially "zoned" for support—have authorized special financial drives in behalf of the hospital.

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"The Bible Is For Me"
"Our Bible Helps Us"
"The Bible Speaks to Me"
"The Bible In Today's World"

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL
June 12, 1970

Co-Directors: Mrs. D. Marsh McLelland
Mrs. William Price, Jr.

Organ Music — Mrs. Gminder

Welcome

"For the Beauty of the Earth" — Combined Classes

Introduction of Special Workers
- Music: Mrs. Albert Gminder
- Recreation: Mike White, Jane McLelland, Tom Hamilton, and Bill Price.
- Refreshments: Thanks to the Women's Fellowship and their daily hostesses: Mrs. K. K. Hughes, Mrs. L. D. Martin, Mrs. T. A. Boland, Mrs. Guy Veazey, Mrs. T. R. Hamilton, Mrs. John Barney, and Gail Crutchfield.

Presentation of Certificates by the Teachers
- Nursery: Janet Cheek, Lynn Barney, Sheree Atkinson, Kay Matlock, Mary Lynn Brafford, and Robin Smith.
- Kindergarten: Mrs. John Powell, Mrs. Bill Blanchard, Mrs. G. Alvin Noah.
- Primary: Mrs. Minnie Hook, Mrs. Malvin Artley, Mrs. Louis Wilkins, and Mrs. J. C. Wells.
- Junior: Mrs. W. E. Butler, Jr., Mrs. Philip Mann, Jr., Mrs. C. E. Barnes, and Mrs. Vincent Lamphier.

Classroom Visitation

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NURSERY

Blanchard, LeAnne	Noah, Tiffany
Lamphier, Michael	Wilkins, Christin

INDERGARTEN

lexander, Brenda
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rtley, Melanie
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lake, Jonathan
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lexander, Jane Hart
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owell, Teresa
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Vickers, Chris
Vickers, Vic
Wilson, Danny

JUNIORS

Allen, Nathan
Andrews, Peggy
Artley, Nathan
Atkinson, Del
Barney, Susan
Boyd, Nancy
Buckner, Liza
Carrier, Buddy
Christmas, Debbie
Danieley, Jane
Duck, Diane
Gminder, Esther
Gminder, Joseph
Gminder, Nathan
Hamilton, Joy
Harvell, Glenn
Howell, David
Hunt, Isaac
McLelland, Faye
McLelland, Joe
Michael, Joy
Miles, Lora
Price, Tim
Price, Vicki
Rinker, Cindy
Robinson, Dave
Robinson, Willie
Seamster, David
Seamster, Jenny
Updyke, Jane
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Zufall, Linda

EACHING GOOD NEWS
OF PEACE!

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United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina

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Miss Anna Rose Marino, Guest Organist
George Cannon, Choral Director

June 14, 1970 11:00 A.M

PRELUDE Now Thank We All Our God Karg-Eler

CHORAL INTROIT Give to the Winds Thy Fears Bac
Call to Worship
*PROCESSIONAL 15 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

*UNISON PRAYER
Grant to us, our God, the spirit to know and to choose the things that are right that we may be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord whose prayer we also make our own:
*THE LORD'S PRAYER
NEW TESTAMENT LESSON II Corinthians 4:1-1
* Gloria Patri
PSALTER READING 93, Page 530 Psalm 9

ANTHEM Statement of Faith V. Maves

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People Choral Amen
CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 489 "I Would be True"
THE OFFERING
Offertory
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
SERMON The Treasure and the Vessel

*HYMN 470 "God of the Prophets"

ENEDICTION

Choral Response	The Peace of God	Williams
OSTLUDE	Allegro	Moisenet

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*Congregation will stand

CORDIAL WELCOME is extended to all who worship with us today. We greet and welcome the visitors among us, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex. Return often.

E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mrs. G. C. Crutchfield and Family in memory of Mr. G. C. Crutchfield, Jr.

E QUARTERLY MEETING of the congregation is this evening at 7:30. Brief reports will be heard from our standing committees. Business items will include our action on a proposal to purchase the corner property adjacent to the Church Building. The congregation is urged to attend.

E WORSHIP COMMITTEE meets at seven o'clock this evening in the Hunter Room.

RTICLES for the Torch are due in the secretary's office Tuesday morning.

ANKS to all who contributed to the success of our Vacation Bible School this past week.

SHERS for the month of June are: Bill Blanchard, Lewis Drumm, Paul Everette, John Gerlach, Frederick Walter, John C. Wells, Sr., Richard White, Jr., and W. G. White.

HE BOOKMOBILE will be here at the church tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

GOOD NEWS OF PEACE!

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **June 14, 19**

Acts 10:34-

"Don't preach at me!" Have you ever said that? But true preaching not bad news but good news, not words that make us defensive but th open us up, not a message of gloom but of joy. To preach peace mea to declare in word and deed that God's health and new life in Chr are here for all persons and races and nations. It is a message that is be spoken and played and sung and lived with joy by young and ol not only "in church" but "over the hills and everywhere." Such preachi proclaims God's health for all!

WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Shortly after World War II, Christians from many parts of the worl including predecessors of the United Church of Christ and of the Unit Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., met in Amsterdam to establi the World Council of Churches (WCC). Today, more than 220 Pro estant, Orthodox and Old Catholic churches belong to this fellowshi

Among the ongoing programmes of the Council is its work amo migrant and refugee peoples. Through its Migration Secretariat, t WCC cooperates with regional, national and local councils of church in evaluating their own work with migrants, giving high priority studies on the relationship between education and planned employmen and to projects leading to self-determination and self-development migrants.

Perhaps most noteworthy among WCC migrant projects has bee recent work among refugees in Africa. From 1961 to 1969 major mov ments of people have come from Angola (381,000), Mozambiqu (32,000), Portuguese Guinea (57,000), Sudan (172,000), Rwand (160,000), the Democratic Republic of the Congo (67,000), Ethiop (31,000), and small groups including refugees from South Africa (15,000 In addition, there are now 50,000 Nigerians outside their country wh may be considered refugees. Many of these refugees will never be abl to return to their native lands. They are therefore migrants, seeking t make a life for themselves and their families in a new land.

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the promise is to you and to your children and to all who are far off

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June 21, 1970 11:00 A.M

PRELUDE Psalm LXVII Edmundso

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit This is the Day the Lord has Mad
*PROCESSIONAL 35 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

*UNISON PRAYER
Bound together in many ways, but especially in our common need of thee, we come, Lord God, to worship. Prepare us for wisdom, courage, and strength for daily living. Be with us still as we make our Master's Prayer our own:
*THE LORD'S PRAYER

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 10:34-4
* Gloria Patri
ANTHEM Swell the Full Chorus G. F. Hande

PSALTER READING 71, Page 518 Psalm 2

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response- Almighty Father, Hear Our Praye
CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 457 "The Summer Days are Come Again"
THE OFFERING
Offertory Benedictus Youn
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
SERMON The Church, Today and Tomorrow Mr. Ande
Mr. Hamilto
*HYMN 423 "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"

ENEDICTION

Choral Response Father, Give Thy Benediction

OSTLUDE Toccatina Price

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*Congregation will stand

CORDIAL WELCOME is extended to all who worship with us today. We greet and welcome the visitors among us, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex. Especially we welcome Dr. and Mrs. Andes and delight in his participation in our Service today.

HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Caddell by the Family.

HE WOMEN'S SUMMER CONFERENCE meets here from Tuesday through Thursday noon. As host church, we hope that many of our ladies will be present. Registration forms are in the Narthex. Mrs. Coleman Hargrove of Chesapeake, Virginia is the Conference Chairman.

OSPITALIZED Scottie Law is a surgical patient at Duke Hospital, Durham.

AMP Leaving for Camp Moonelon for the week are Jane Hart Alexander and Faye McLelland. Sherleen Smith is also going as a counselor.

THE SACRAMENT of Holy Communion will be celebrated here next Sunday.

THE CONGREGATION is cordially invited to attend the Marriage Service of Patricia E. Perry and Robert Franklin Woody, Jr. this afternoon at three o'clock.

the promise is to you and to your children

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **June 21, 1**

Acts 2:22

Do you promise? So our children sometimes respond to us. They w to make sure. But what are the promises we make? The promise in A is that of the Holy Spirit—of power to bring new life and new relati ships. It is the promise to be instruments of such power that we m at the baptism or dedication of our children. Is it possible that p of the "generation gap," as well as other human gaps, comes from ph promises and the failure to be instruments of such power? God is faitl to his promise of power. Do you promise to let it use you?

"HOW LONG THE DAY . . ."

From California to Maine, from Texas to North Dakota, milli of migrant farm workers labor from break of day to setting sun in h vesting the crops, their lives controlled by chance occurrence of sea and weather, and by variances in market condition and employm conditions. Few would argue that their lot is easy. But there are m today who do argue—pro and con—about the farm worker's right organize, his right to strike and to boycott. And the church is cau up in these arguments in many places. This is not surprising, for church has always been "for" the dignity and rights of individu And yet, like so many social situations, the plight of the migrant fa worker is not open to simple solution. Many—both workers and th employers—are caught in the middle of the controversy. And the chu is there, too, in the middle with them.

Who then is right and who is wrong? What course of action sho the church take? One starting point is a willingness to acknowledge complexity of the situation and the Christian's responsibility to w for just solutions which recognize the personhood of every man whet he be migrant worker or grower. The pressure for such solutions creases daily. Members of the United Church of Christ, through th conferences, the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries, a state and national councils of churches, seek to establish an atmosph in which real communication—and ultimately reconciliation—can ta place, and in the meantime help provide needed medical and so services to migrant farm families.

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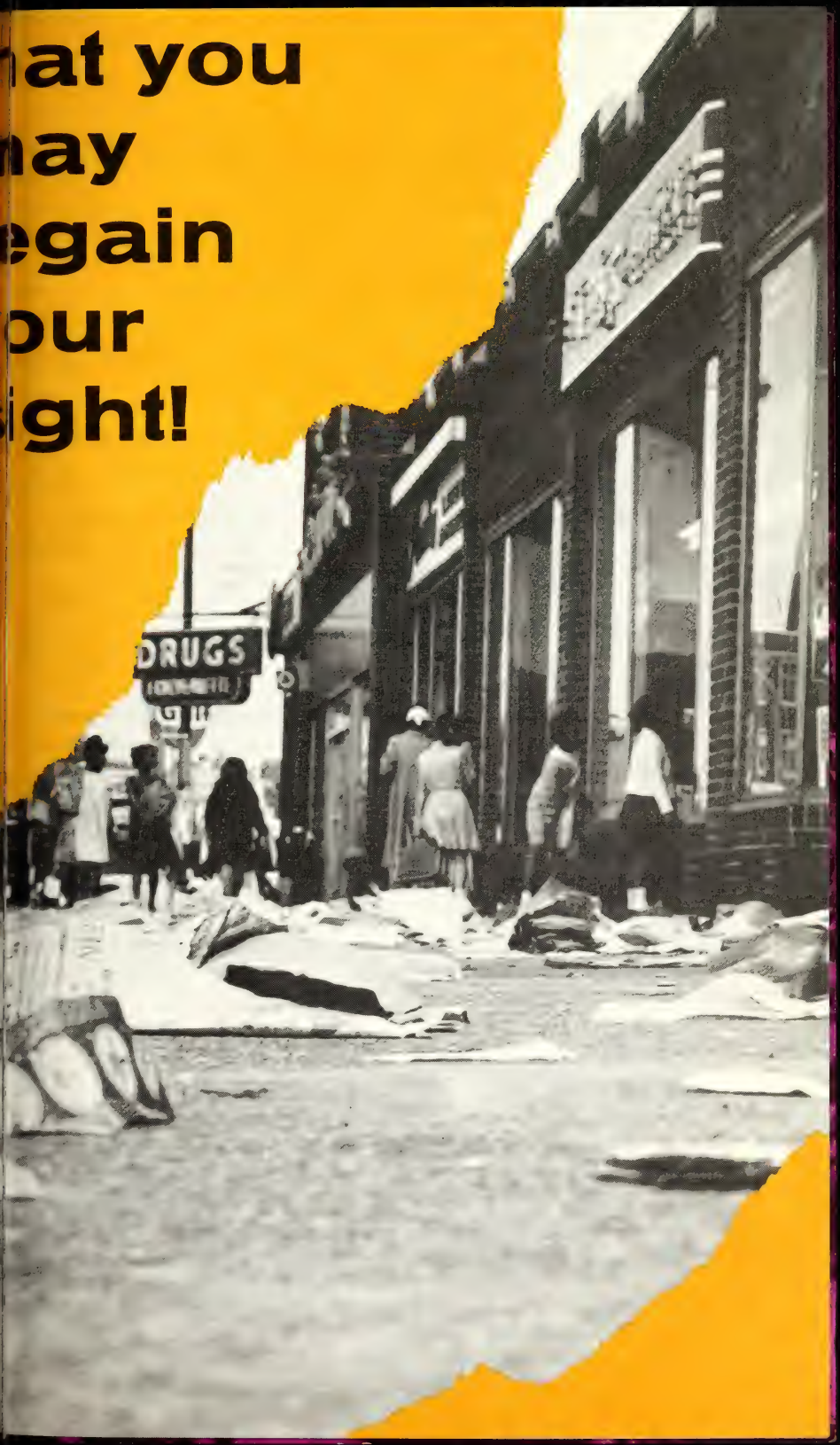
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June 28, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Jesu, Meine Freude Karg-Elert

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Come, and let us sweetly join
Christ to praise, in hymns divine.
Give we all with one accord,
Glory to our common Lord. Amen.

*PROCESSIONAL 251 "Holy, Holy, Holy

*UNISON PRAYER
O Lord our God, in joyfulness we recognize your leading of our lives. As a company of seekers, we are grateful for these moments to turn our thoughts from ourselves to your wonderful presence with us. In devotion we offer the prayer our Master taught his disciples:

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 9:1-18

* Gloria Patri

THE PASTORAL PRAYER with Choral Amen
Pastor: The Lord be with you
People: And with thy spirit.
Pastor: Let us pray:

MEDITATION The Shared Cup Mr. Hamilton

THE OFFERING
Offertory O Haupt voll Blut und Wunden-Edmundson

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

ANTHEM Create in Me a Clean Heart Mueller

: SERVICE OF COMMUNION
The Invitation of Christ
Communion Collect
General Confession (in unison) Hymnal, P. 495
Assurance of Pardon
Words of Institution
Distribution of the Elements
Thanksgiving
MN 60 "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name"

NEDICTION
Choral Response Three-fold Amen -V. Persichetti
STLUDE Herr, wie du willst Pachelbel

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*Congregation will stand

HOLY COMMUNION is served today to all confirmed members of Christ's church. We celebrate "open communion", inviting all professing Christians to join us in this Sacrament of faith.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Marshall W. Hook and Gerald Edge Hook by the Family.

ORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we welcome the Reverend Mr. Herbert Schafale as liturgist of the morning. Mr. Schafale is pastor of St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Freeport, Illinois.

SPITALIZED Mrs. N. R. Franks, Sr. at Memorial Hospital.

R PASTOR AND FAMILY will be on vacation from July 1 to July 15. In any emergency or need, pastoral service will be provided if you call the office secretary or Mrs. J. Mark McAdams. Our guest minister next Sunday is Dr. Allen Brantley.

sight!

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **June 28, 197**

Acts 9:1-1

A one-hundred-eighty-degree turnabout. That is what happened to th Apostle Paul. From a violent persecutor of the Christian Way to a vig orous proponent. From blindness to new sight. Such change involve painful confrontation by the Spirit of Christ. Is his Spirit confrontin us now in our blindness to the frustrating poverty and hopelessnes that cause violent outbursts? Will we allow his Spirit to give us ne eyes to see and new ears to hear his call, not to defend old pattern that deepen despair but to dare new ways that inspire hope?

WHEN IS A MISSIONARY NOT A MISSIONARY?

"Once a missionary, always a missionary." At least so it would seem in the case of Eugene Braun, former missionary to Ecuador of the Unite Church Board for World Ministries. Gene and his wife Helen, whil no longer formally related to the UCBWM, are nevertheless remainin in Ecuador to undertake a new ministry among the Andean Indians Gene's job is with the U. S. Agency for International Development. H is still motivated by a "response-ability" (his own phrase) to help th Ecuadorean people. The Brauns were not the first farmer-preache couple to be appointed as missionaries when they went to Ecuador i 1954. But they are among the first who have moved out of the forma structure of overseas mission with the understanding and blessing o their sending board, and who continue to think of themselves as mis sionaries.

When is a missionary not a missionary? Perhaps never. "Missionar fever" seems to get in one's blood, especially, it would seem, when i means enriching the lives of Andean Indian farmers with better farmin techniques, nutrition education, and health measures. Today, with USAID matters in the city taking up his "working week," Gene Braun finds week-end opportunities to conduct caravans of interested persons back to the Picalqui area where he used to work with the Indians o Ecuador who still need help in meeting their most basic needs.

As you consider the motivating factors in your life—regardless o your present occupation—you may find that there's a bit of the "mis sionary" hidden in you. Let it out!

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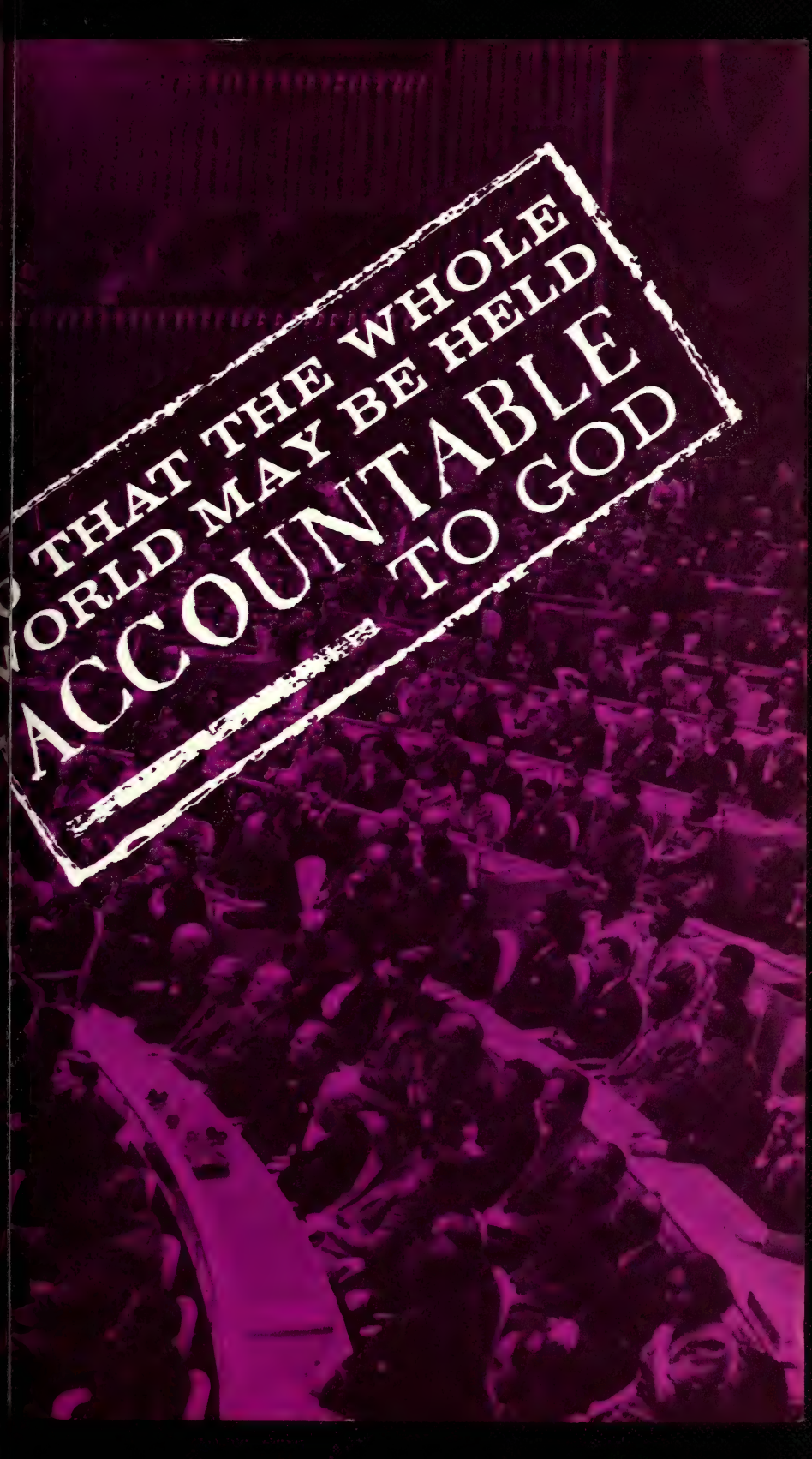
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PRELUDE Chant de May Jongen

CHORAL INTROIT Lead Me Lord
Call to Worship
*PROCESSIONAL 446 "God the Omnipotent"

*UNISON PRAYER
Almighty God, always more ready to hear than we are to pray, pour upon us the abundance of thy mercy, forgiving us those things of which our consciences are afraid. Aid us in word and spirit as we pray our Master's Prayer:
*THE LORD'S PRAYER

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Matthew 12:1-12
* Gloria Patri
*STATEMENT OF FAITH (in unison)

ANTHEM Walk Humbly with Thy God Davst

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People Choral Amen
THE OFFERING
Offertory Andante Cantabile Tartini
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
SERMON The Value of a Human Being Dr. Brantley

*HYMN 93 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response	Sevenfold Amen	Stainer
OSTLUDE	Maestoso	Reger

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*Congregation will stand

R GUEST MINISTER today is Dr. Allen Brantley, former District Superintendent of the Burlington District of the United Methodist Church. Dr. J. Earl Danieley is serving as liturgist of the morning. We welcome also Mrs. David Bragg who begins today her first Sunday as our organist.

E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Terrell and Charles honoring our men and women in the Armed Services.

RCLE MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Circle #2 - July 6 at 3:30 P.M. with Mrs. Colclough
Circle #3 - July 6 at 8:00 P.M. with Mrs. Barney
Circle #4 - July 6 at 10:00 A.M. with Mrs. Hook
Circle #5 - Will not meet
Circle #6 - July 7 at 8:00 P.M. with Mrs. Wilkins

R PASTOR AND FAMILY are vacationing this week in Maryland. In any need or emergency, pastoral service can be provided by calling the office secretary or Mrs. J. Mark McAdams. The Hamiltons will return on July 15.

AVING FOR CAMP MOONELON this week are Esther Gminder, Nathan Gminder, Joseph Gminder, and Buddy Carrier.

HE BOARD OF DEACONS meets this evening at 7:30 in the Hunter Room.

SHERS for July are Vincent Lamphier, E. S. Lankford J. B. Long, James MacDonald, John MacDonald, J. Mark McAdams, Larry McCauley, Sr., and Larry McCauley, Jr.

SO THAT THE WHOLE WORLD MAY BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE TO GOD

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **July 5, 1**

Romans 3:9

What is patriotism? The word means being faithful to the fatherla But as Christians our father is not Uncle Sam, nor is "America Fir our slogan. God is the father of all men. Any political declaration independence needs the prior declaration of dependence on him. I fatherland knows no boundaries of nation or face or language. In it person or group has any superiority. All are the needy objects of purpose of righting human wrongs. All are called to a patriotism tha true to his healing concern for every human being in the world.

A NEW FOCUS ON JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH

Glen A. Halbe, until recently the owner of the Ranger Realty fi in Grand Island, Nebraska, is going back to school. He sold his busin and has entered seminary to prepare for the ordained ministry. Perha one of his motivations was the satisfaction he found in a lay "ministr which he had to a junior high church school class. Consider Gle description of them. "Each of them is a squirming, wriggling caterpil engaged in the agonizing fight to escape childhood's cocoon into adu hood's full flight. Each of my people views the adult world as full beautiful butterfly wings free of everything restrictive. They can't w to break out and fly."

Writing in *FOCUS on the new generation,* a United Church Christ magazine, to others who work with young people, Glen wa adults that they can never go back and recover "how it was when I w your age." "My greatest problem," he says, "is the challenge of realiz that the wrong answer for me as an adult may be the right answer the junior high person." "I love my junior high people," he says, "I gu that is my only real qualification as a church school teacher."

For many adults, "loving people" gives a new focus to the teachi ministry of the church. This is the purpose of *FOCUS* magazine. T action models and resources for youth ministry are all intended to gi "youth and adult planners and leaders stimulation, vision and supp for new ministry in the world, not a blueprint for every situatio *FOCUS* is one of the exciting new publications available to your c gregation and prepared by the United Church Board for Homela Ministries.

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PRELUDE Wenn wir in hochsten Nothen sein Bach

CHORAL INTROIT Unto Thy Temple, Lord, We Come
Call to Worship
*PROCESSIONAL 31 "Worship the Lord...."

*UNISON PRAYER
O Lord our God, whose Spirit has led us to this place of prayer and worship, grant us earnestly to seek and to find thy holy will for us. Then let thy power become active in our daily deeds. Be with us still as we make our Master's Prayer our own:
*THE LORD'S PRAYER

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON II Kings 4:1-7
* Gloria Patri
*STATEMENT OF FAITH

ANTHEM Blessing and Righteousness Jean Berger

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People Choral Amen
*HYMN 341 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"
THE OFFERING
Offertory Fantasie in F Minor (Andante) Mozart
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
SERMON What's In The House Dr. Fields

*HYMN 418 "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"

NEDICTION

Choral Response Thou Wilt Keep Him

STLUDE Passacaglia Young

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ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Miss Georgie Moore in memory of her sister, Edith Cole Moore.

GUEST MINISTER today is the Reverend Dr. Clyde Fields. Dr. Fields is the Eastern Area Association Minister of the Southern Conference and a member of this congregation. We delight in his return to our pulpit today. Our Pastor and Family will return from vacation on Wednesday. In the meantime, pastoral service is available by calling the Church Office or Mrs. J. Mark McAdams.

RCLE # 1 meets July 13 at 10:00 A.M. with Mrs. J. E. Danieley

E CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE meets Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the Hunter Room.

give thanks to God

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **July 12, 197**

I Corinthians 1:4-

How often do you say "Thank you"? Gratitude is the primary Christia response. All that we say or do is to express our thanks to God for th gift of love that embraces us and will not let us go. Yet that love reache us through other persons, and our thanks to God involves our thank to them for the many forms that love takes. Our worship together i itself a Eucharist—that is a thanksgiving—and whether at church or a home or work or anywhere, what joy a word of gratitude can bring "Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices."

KWASHIORKOR IS A CONDITION NOT A DISEASE

Sita, a mother in India, was proud of her son, Mohan. She though Mohan was so chubby that he could win a prize in a baby show. Bu Sita's friend, Premi, who happened to be a nurse, was concerned. Sh pressed her thumb on the inner side of Mohan's leg above the ankl bone and saw that when she removed her thumb a depression was lef Premi took Mohan and his mother to the doctor who told them tha Mohan had *Kwashiorkor*—a protein deficiency which can lead to blind ness, mental retardation, even death.

Often with tear-filled eyes, Sita wondered where on earth she ha gone wrong! She had given her darling son all that he desired, particu larly sweets. Premi, during weekend visits to Sita, advised her to giv Mohan plenty of milk, wheat gruel, meat, fish, and eggs as often as pos sible. In a couple of years, with the correct diet, Mohan will grow u to be a sturdy, active, and intelligent boy.

Unfortunately, *Kwashiorkor* is a major problem for many people i East Africa, India, and Southeast Asia. Through the work of Churc World Service in many parts of the world and through AFPRO (Actio for Food Production) in India, members of the United Church of Chris have a part in preventing protein deficiency among children. And throug medical missions of the United Church Board for World Ministries, w have an important part in its cure.

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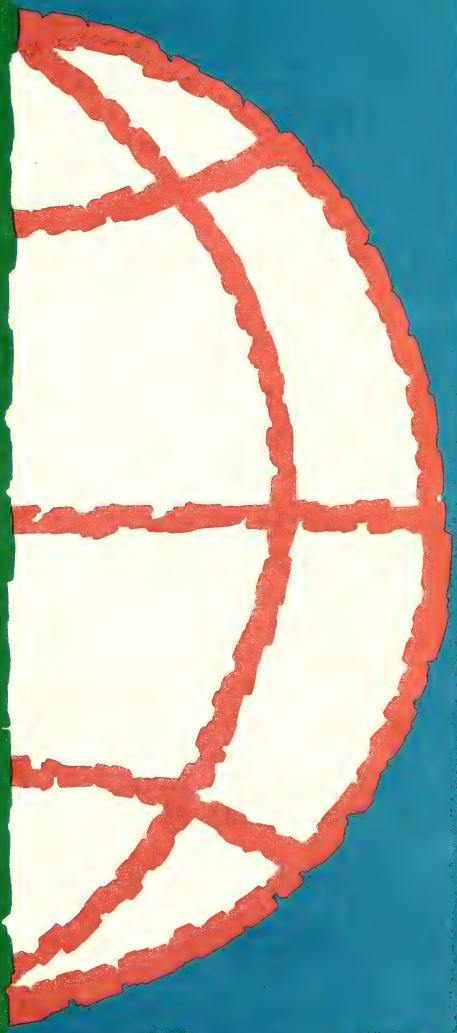

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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina
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George Cannon, Choral Director
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

July 19, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Morning Hymn Peeters

CHORAL INTROIT Praise God, Our Maker
Call to Worship
*HYMN OF PRAISE 345 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"
(Stanzas 1-4)
*UNISON PRAYER
Eternal God, merciful in all your acts and holding in your hands both life and death, enable us to accept the mystery of your faithfulness, that no infidelity of ours may destroy our relationship with you; in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray: "Our Father, who....."
NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Romans 9:1-26
* Gloria Patri
*STATEMENT OF FAITH

ANTHEM Prayer of St. Chrysostom E. Butler

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Prayer Response Hear Our Prayer
THE CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 328 "The Lord is Rich and Merciful"
THE OFFERING
Offertory Solemn Canticle Young
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
SERMON A Catalog of Nobodies

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 218 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

ENEDICTION

Choral Response Father, Give Thy Benediction

OSTLUDE Finale from Symphony No. 4 Vierne

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*Congregation will stand

CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. We greet and welcome the visitors among us, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex. Return often.

E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Simpson by their daughters, Mrs. Edward R. McNeely and Mrs. E. W. Vickers, Sr.

E COMMITTEE to select a hymnal for use in the Parish House will meet this evening at seven o'clock in the Hunter Room.

WORKSHOP to plan programs for the Women's Fellowship for next year will be held tomorrow evening in the Junior Classroom.

E CHURCHMEN'S FELLOWSHIP of the Burlington Area will hold their quarterly dinner meeting on Thursday evening at seven o'clock at the Bethlehem Church. Reservations may be made by calling our church office by Tuesday.

E CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Hook upon the death of his brother, W. C. Hook of Fairfax, Virginia

ANKS to the Reverend Mr. John Graves for providing pastoral services as requested during the vacation of our Pastor.

. . . my people

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **July 19, 197**

Romans 9:14-2

Who are God's people? If we had to choose, probably we would selec good, respectable citizens. A group of foreign-born slaves in Egyp or a baby born in a barn just would not qualify. But God does not us our criteria. He does not choose those with "outstanding credentials" who sense no need. He seems to choose those for whom nobody els cares but who sense their need and are open to his compassion an mercy. Do we sense any need for these? If we do, we may be open fo him to make us his people and to teach us to care with compassion

PROBLEMS OF A NEW CONGREGATION

"We can talk about budgets, the need for sacrificial giving, the joy of stewardship, our commitment to *Our Christian World Mission* an all the rest, BUT one has to realize that he is talking to (1) people wh are deeply in trouble themselves and who need the ministry of the church or (2) people who are already carrying more than their share of the load or (3) people who fit both categories.

"New buildings? Great. But where does money and help come from Bigger budget? Wonderful! Who provides it? There are *very few* peopl among us whom I can honestly push expecting greater effort. We ar doing what we can with the resources available. I am deeply gratefu for the things I see happening here that are good and represent the rea concerns of the church. But they do not show up in statistics or ne buildings."

What can one say to a minister of one of our new congregation when he writes like this? Yet letters and reports just like this one com to conference executives and to the United Church Board for Homelan Ministries every week. What can *you* do to help such a minister of on of our new congregations who writes, "I pray that we can maintai morale and the spirit to stay with the achievements we have made, a well as find the will to continue to grow and make the ministry of th church even more effective . . ."

You, through your financial support of *Our Christian World Mis sion,* help provide sound advice and counsel to leaders of new congre gations; and through your prayers you can uphold these leaders and con gregations as they seek to be effective "people of God" at work in thei communities.

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E DOES NO WRONG TO A NEIGHBOR

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July 26, 1970 11:00 A

PRELUDE Holy Spirit, Blessed One Van Hul

CHORAL INTROIT Lead Me, Lord
Call to Worship
*HYMN OF PRAISE "Praise to the Lord..." p.

*UNISON PRAYER
Lord God, whose way of truth is made known in th teaching of your Son, deliver us from a desire t ask trick questions and to seek easy answers for life's deepest needs and the world's greatest problems. Help us to seek and to accept the surprising and staggering demands placed upon us, i the name of the Lord Jesus, whose prayer we make our own: "Our Father, who....."

SCRIPTURE READINGS Deuteronomy 6:
* Gloria Patri Romans 13:8
*STATEMENT OF FAITH

ANTHEM "The Lord is my Shepherd N. C

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Three-fold A

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn "The Lord is Rich and Merciful" p.
THE OFFERING Eligie Peete
Offertory
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
SERMON Debt is a Fact of Life

*HYMN OF DEDICATION "Faith of our Fathers" p.

BENEDICTION

Choral Response — Seven-fold Amen

POSTLUDE — Fugue in G Minor — Bach

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ATTENDING CAMP MOONELON this week are Del Atkinson, Nancy Boyd, Jane Danieley, Joy Hamilton, and Cindy Rinker.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs. Lucille Kluttz and Mr. Connie Howard whose Service of Marriage was celebrated yesterday in Raleigh.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Byrd upon the birth of Tammy Renee Byrd on July 18.

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. George Noah is a surgical patient at Memorial Hospital.

ARTICLES for The Torch are due in the Secretary's Office by Tuesday morning.

THURSDAY EVENING Services of Worship will be held in four of our area churches. These Services are especially intended for families who will be out-of-town on Sundays, though everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. We would hope that many of our people are present on August 13 when we are host to the First Reformed, Edgewood, and Beverly Hills congregations.

LOVE DOES NO WRONG

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **July 26, 197**

Romans 13:8-1

Love is the one comprehensive claim, said Paul to the Romans. creatively transforms every duty we have toward others; it also pr vides the power for the fulfillment of every duty. Love also is inclusiv It is as wide as humanity in its global outreach; it is as specific as th individuals with whom we live and work in our own communities. It the New Life made possible as we allow Christ to live in us. It is th substance of the New Age which has already dawned in Christ. Ar this love does no wrong to anyone.

A NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL MISSION

The Chicago Business Industrial Project has worked with a larg department store to help four-hundred managers and executives so themselves out in relation to the urban crisis. The Detroit Industri Mission took training-supervisors from General Motors plants acro the country through a one-day exposure to the center-city black ghett The Metropolitan Corporation Mission in Newark contracted with Ess to prepare their first-line supervisors to work effectively with blac employees.

In Boston, Cicero, Washington, Cincinnati, Philadelphia, New Yor Rochester, San Juan, or Raleigh, you will find similar industrial mi sions hard at work. There are 13 of these agencies which are membe of the National Industrial Mission (NIM), a three-and-a-half-year-o organization which coordinates their work in such matters as:

- *Organizational Change and Human Development*
- *Institutional Racism*
- *Income Maintenance-Capital Ownership*
- *Technology and the Human Environment*
- *American Economic Power in Latin America*

Both the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries and th Board of National Missions of the United Presbyterian Church in th U. S. A. support the National Industrial Mission as well as many of i constituent bodies across the country.

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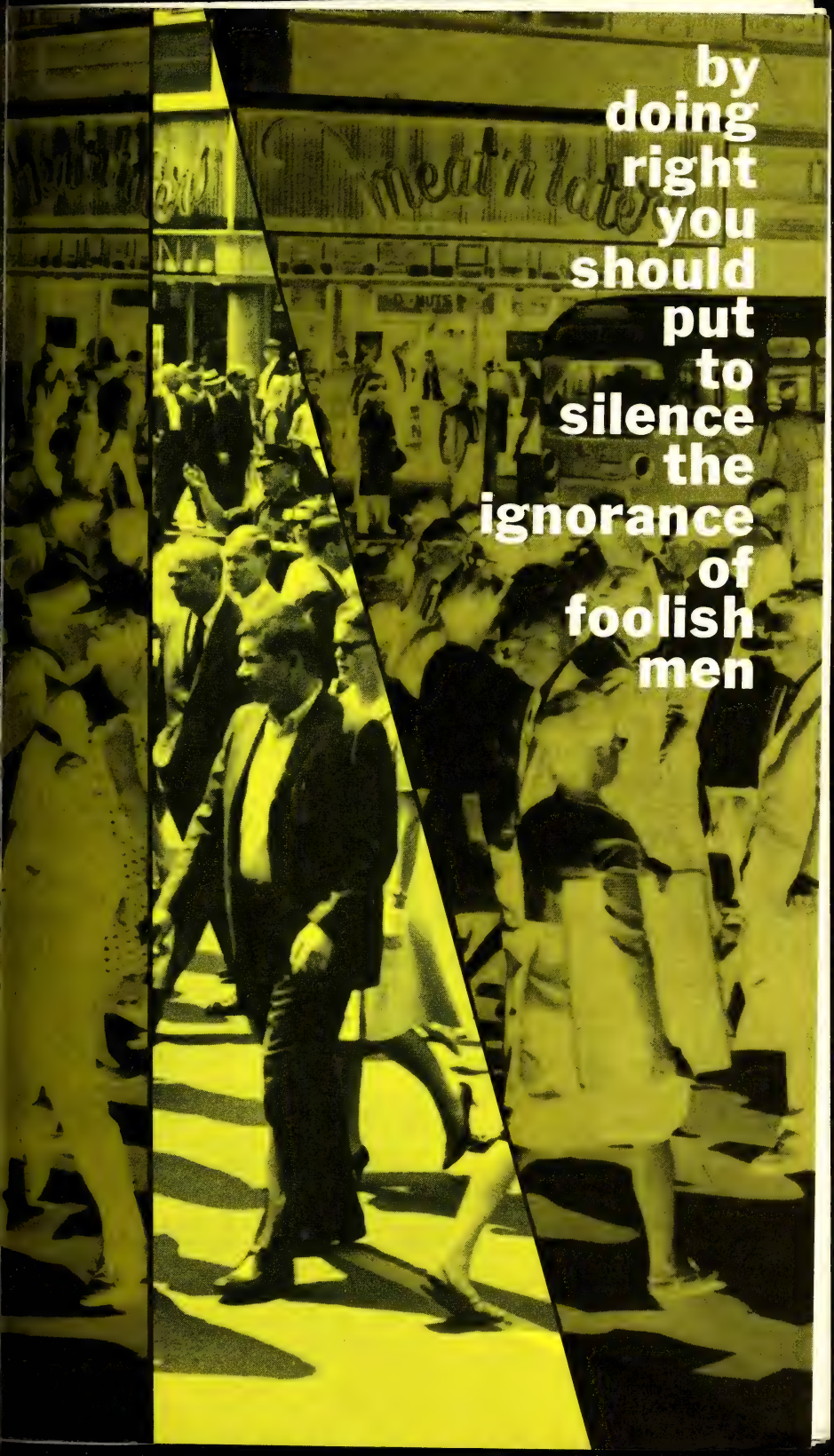

by doing right you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish men

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August 2, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Jesu, Fount of Consolation Bach

CHORAL INTROIT Lead Me, Lord

Call to Worship

*HYMN OF PRAISE 22 "We Praise Thee, O God"

*UNISON PRAYER

Gather us, Our God, as a fellowship of thy faithful people. Remind us that we are thy church, chosen to be servants of all the world. Pardon our failures and give us the will and the power to minister in the name of the Lord Jesus, whose prayer we make our own: "Our Father, who..."

SCRIPTURE READINGS John 14:27;16:33

* Gloria Patri Matthew 10:34-36

*STATEMENT OF FAITH

ANTHEM Father, Teach Me How to Pray K. Keese

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the people

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

The Choral Response Three-fold Amen

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 371 "He Who Would Valiant Be"

THE OFFERING

Offertory Aria Peeters

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Peace of Mind -- For Christians? Dr. Elzey

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 380 "March on, O Soul,..."

EDICTION
Choral Response Seven-fold Amen
TLUDE Go Now In Peace Van Hulse

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GUEST MINISTER TODAY is Dr. William J. Elzey, Chaplain and Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religion at Elon College, and an associate member of this congregation. We delight in his return to our pulpit.
Our pastor is serving this week as a counselor at Johns River Valley Camp. He may be contacted in any need or emergency by calling the church office or the parsonage.

THURSDAY EVENING SERVICE OF WORSHIP this week will be held at First Reformed United Church of Christ in Burlington. The Reverend Mr. George Stowe of Edgewood Church will be preaching. All are encouraged to attend.

EASE NOTE that on August 16 our Service of Worship will begin at 9:30 A.M. in order that those who so desire can attend the Summer Baccalaureate - Commencement at 10:30 A.M. in Whitley Auditorium.

SPITALIZED: Mrs. Paul Reddish is a patient at Memorial Hospital. Mrs. George Noah and Sheldon Cheek were patients during the past week.

RCLES of the Women's Fellowship will meet this week as listed in the Torch.

by doing right ...

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **August 2, 197**

I Peter 2:11-1

Why is it that to many people Christian faith seems irrelevant? Is because they observe it as a private affair that makes little impact o the daily rush and routine of the marketplace? Is it because they see s little of its life-changing message actually occur in the "Christians they know? Yet our life as Christians is intended to reflect the light o him who is the Light *of the world.* That Light seeks to illuminate an transform public as well as private life. Where that occurs, nobody cal such Christian faith irrelevant. They see that it matters!

THE NIGHT THE CHILD DIED

"The Sunday started as a quiet day with just a few patients in th morning," wrote the United Church Board for World Ministries mis sionary-doctor at Talas, Turkey, "but by four in the afternoon I wa called to a nearby village by two boys who had walked for three hour in the snow to get me.

"When I arrived in the village I found that a siege of measles ha left six children dead already. Our clinic worker, Salih, the villag 'doctor,' had seen most of the patients so I had to examine only the mor serious cases. When my supply of medicine was exhausted, I agreed t take the most critically ill child back to the clinic for a last 'try.'

"We arrived at 9 p. m., and put the ill baby in our makeshift humidi fier, giving him liquids and medication on a regular schedule. In spit of our efforts, at 2:25 a. m. the child died. It was snowing too hard t find the road easily so I slept for a few hours, then drove the famil and the corpse back to the village, and was back at work by 8 a. m in the clinic.

"A year later, the father returned to the clinic with another child He said he would never forget seeing us treat his child with the sam love, care and concern with which we would have treated our own children. On the night his child died, he said, his heart and mine were joine together for all time. For a fleeting moment, as we shared in the struggle for his child, life had been reduced to basic values where the true brotherhood of all men became a reality."

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August 9, 1970 11:00 A.M

PRELUDE Sonata in A Minor Youn

CHORAL INTROIT Each Morning Brings
Call to Worship
*HYMN OF PRAISE 446 "God the Omnipotent"

*UNISON PRAYER
Our dear Father, let thy Holy Spirit come to ble
us now. Because decisions made here are life or
death issues, give us both guidance and strength
to do thy will. Grant that all we do or say her
and hereafter may be acceptable in thy sight.
Unite us also in the prayer taught us by our Lor
Our Father, who....."
SCRIPTURE READING Romans 15:1-1
* Gloria Patri
*STATEMENT OF FAITH

ANTHEM The Last Words of David R. Thompsc

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Almighty Father, Hear...
THE CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 268 "Lord, We Thank Thee for Our Brothers'
THE OFFERING
Offertory Herzlich thut mich verlangen Ba
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
SERMON The Church and Communism Dr. Slo

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 376 "Lead Us, O Father"

ENEDICTION
Choral Response — Fourfold Amen
OSTLUDE — Chorale — Buck

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T IS OUR PRIVILEGE today to welcome to our pulpit Dr. William W. Sloan, Professor of Bible and Religious Education at Elon College and a member of this congregation. Dr. and Mrs. Sloan have just completed an Asian Tour, leaving Russia this past Thursday to be with us today.

HOSE WHO WISH TO JOIN US for church family softball are asked to meet at the Parish House at 6:30 this evening.

HE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE meets Tuesday evening at 7:00 in the Hunter Room.

HE THURSDAY EVENING SERVICE OF WORSHIP this week will be held here at 7:30. Our Pastor will serve as liturgist and the Reverend Mr. Hiram Davis will be preaching. The children's nursery will be open.

ONGRATULATIONS to Diane Clendennen and Thomas Payne whose Service of Marriage was celebrated yesterday at Bowling Green, Virginia.

LEASE NOTE that on August 16 our Service of Worship will begin at 9:30 A.M. in order that those who so desire can attend the Summer Baccalaureate - Commencement at 10:30 A.M. in Whitley Auditorium.

they are disturbing our city

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **August 9, 197**

Acts 16:16-2

Whether in the first century or the twentieth, those who make profi from the status quo do not want it disturbed by prophets. In the fir century Paul and Silas were charged with "disturbing our city" becaus they freed a slave girl from a lucrative misuse by her masters. Toda as people raise their hands and voices against the chains of economi poverty or racial discrimination that has made others rich, we are di turbed by these disturbers. "Who do they think they are?" Are the modern Pauls seeking in Christ's name to free people from bondage

A MIDCITY SPA FOR OLDER PEOPLE

The door at 123 Ann Street, Hartford, Connecticut, opens int a small storefront office with a few partitioned-off rooms. A sign note that this facility houses Services Performed for the Aging, Inc. (SPA an eight-church, interdenominational project. Five days a week th people come—to chat, play cards, read newspapers, make paper flowers learn oil painting, copper enamelling, sewing or knitting. They com to sing, to discuss with a trained counselor their problems of healt and housing, to register for bus trips or a daycamp, to mail out informa tion on and receive visits from the city's political candidates.

Staffed by eight workers and a host of volunteers, SPA minister to more than 1,500 oldsters per month; their average age, seventy-eight Most of them live in center-city rooms or small apartments, safe an clean, but often dingy and monotonous. SPA has become a real "home to these people.

SPA began in 1964 when members of seven downtown Protestan congregations, including First Congregational United Church of Christ began holding informal talks on problems of the aging. Soon they in vited Roman Catholics to also participate. The project grew as federal state, and local government funds supplemented church contributions Next year federal and state funds will be reduced and it is hoped tha the City of Hartford will increase its support of SPA as one way o showing concern for its 18,000 citizens, age 65 and older. Here i another example of a grassroots ecumenical Christian service workin through the systems of our society to make Christ's love real for people

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have seen the Lord

THURSDAY EVENING WORSHIP
August 13, 1970 - 7:30 P.M.

PRELUDE Elegie Peeter

CHORAL INTROIT Lead Me, Lord
Call to Worship Mr. Hamilto
*HYMN OF PRAISE 3 "God Himself is With Us"

*UNISON PRAYER
Thou hast invited us to come unto thee and find our rest. Lord God, we come. Grant us thy divin grace; and help us to do justly, to love kindness and to walk humbly with Thee, for we come and we worship in the name of the Lord Christ whose prayer we make our own: "Our Father, who....."
OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Numbers 13:26-3
* Gloria Patri
NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Philippians 4:4-1

*STATEMENT OF FAITH

ANTHEM Prayer of St. Chrysostom E. Butle
Almighty God who hast giv'n us grace at this time
With one accord to make our common supplications unto Thee,
And dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in Thy Name,
Thou wilt grant their requests.
Fulfill now, O Lord the desires of Thy servants as may be most expedient for them.
Granting us in this world knowledge of Thy truth,
And in the world to come life everlasting.
SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Threefold Ame
THE CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 353 "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

OFFERING ENVELOPES will be returned to the church of the giver. The loose offering will go to the Elon Home for Children.

USHERS: D. D. Atkinson, E. W. Brafford, Howard Edgerton, Dr. A. L. Hook, and Louis Wilkins.

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THE OFFERING

Offertory O Divine Redeemer Gounod

Mrs. James Gillespie, Soprano

The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Detour Ahead Mr. Davis

HYMN OF DEDICATION 60 "Savior, Again to thy Dear.."

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Sevenfold Amen

POSTLUDE Allein Gott in der Hoh' Sei Ehr Buck

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WELCOME as our Guest Minister this evening the Reverend Mr. Hiram Davis, Pastor of the First Reformed United Church of Christ. Our soloist is Mrs. James Gillespie of the faculty of Northeast Louisiana University in Monroe, Louisiana. Our Service next Thursday evening will be held at Edgewood Church with Dr. Kenneth Register preaching. On August 27 we will worship at Beverly Hills Church with Mr. Hamilton preaching.

E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by the Women's Fellowship of the Elon College Community Church.

NURSERY is provided this evening for pre-school children. Attendants are Sheree Atkinson and Lynn Barney.

OLYTES: Bill Price and Tom Hamilton

we have seen the Lord

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **April 17, 1966**
John 20:19-31

About the cover: Yes, the disciples could say, "We have seen the Lord!" Though we have not *seen* him as did the disciples, yet we know him. He comes to us in baptism. He daily shares with us the glory of his resurrection. We walk in newness of life because he has overcome the world and gives us joy in tribulation. This life brings the joys of heaven itself into the world; this life brings sun streaming through the clouds; this life lifts our eyes to heaven, and we walk with Christ. "Blessed are those," said the risen Lord, "who have not seen and yet believe."

AN ENDURING TRADITION

Deeply rooted in the heritage of the United Church of Christ is a concern for higher learning in the USA which led to the founding of many of this nation's oldest colleges and universities by our forebears of the Congregational Christian and Evangelical & Reformed Churches.

Today this concern is reflected in the constant effort to provide seminary training and campus ministries that are relevant to these times and in the establishment of more colleges. New colleges are either planned or under construction in Sarasota, Florida; Prescott, Arizona; and Hawaii. When completed they will bring to fifty-one the total number of academies, colleges, universities, and seminaries with which the United Church of Christ is affiliated. Included in this total are six colleges of the American Missionary Association, each of which will observe its centennial in the next eleven years.

Through *Our Christian World Mission* the United Church is allied with other denominations in campus ministries among young people on more than 300 campuses and in the sponsorship of faith-and-education research projects. As one official said: "As education changes, so must the ministries of the Church adapt patterns that may more adequately serve the Lord in his work in, and through, higher education." In recognition of the importance of the Church's role in higher education, next Sunday, April 24th, will be observed as National Christian College Day.

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August 16, 1970 9:30 A.M

PRELUDE The Royal Banners Forward Go Van Huls

CHORAL INTROIT Lead Me, Lord
Call to Worship
*HYMN OF PRAISE 21 "We Gather Together"

*UNISON PRAYER
Grant, O Lord, to all teachers and students, to know that which is worth knowing, to love that which is worth loving, to praise that which pleaseth thee most, to esteem that which is most precious unto thee, and to dislike whatsoever is evil in thine eyes. Grant us with true judgment to distinguish things that differ, and above all to search out and to do what is well-pleasing unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 25:31-46
* Gloria Patri
ANTHEM Ye Servants of God

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Threefold Amen

THE OFFERING
Offertory Come, Blessed Spirit Van Hulse
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Signs We Saw Miss Anderson
Mr. Hamilton

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 404 "Take My Life..."

NEDICTION

Choral Response — Sevenfold Amen

STLUDE — Fugue in G Major — Bach

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ARE DELIGHTED to have Miss Joan Anderson to assist in our worship today. Miss Anderson is a second year student at the Presbyterian School of Christian Education in Richmond, Virginia, and has just completed her summer's work on the staff of our Southern Conference Camps.

RCH SCHOOL AND CHURCH WORSHIP are combined today so that those who so desire may attend the Baccalaureate - Commencement at 10:30 in Whitley Auditorium. We shall resume our regular schedule next Sunday.

CHURCH SCHOOL HYMNAL COMMITTEE will meet this evening at seven in the Hunter Room.

THURSDAY EVENING WORSHIP this week will be held at the Edgewood Church with Dr. Kenneth Register preaching.

ARE NEEDED to help paint the weekday kindergarten room tomorrow evening at seven.

SPITALIZED: Mrs. W. W. Snyder at Alamance County Hospital.

123 making the most of the time

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **August 16, 19**

Colossians 4:2

How long do we have? Experts on environmental pollution point to t live possibility that we may choke ourselves to death. Historians indica that past civilizations have not so much been ruined from without they have rotted from within. The Letter to the Colossians speaks Christ's relation to the total creation and of God's purpose "throu him to reconcile to himself all things" (1:20). It is a matter of Christi responsibility to use our time wisely to let his reconciliation transfor both environmental and human pollution into his health.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN THE U. S. A.

In the "alphabet soup" of interdenominational nomenclature t letters NCCC/USA stand for the National Council of the Churches Christ in the U. S. A. which was established in 1950 by representativ of 29 Protestant and Orthodox bodies—including predecessors of t United Church of Christ and of the United Presbyterian Church—as a expression of their common faith and witness, and for their cooperatic in a variety of programs.

The denominations which are members of the Council affirm t single theological requisite for membership: acceptance of Jesus Chri as Divine Lord and Savior. There are currently 33 bodies in the Counc and some 40 others which are related to its constituent divisions other units.

The National Council of Churches undertakes a variety of importa programs. Perhaps its most important current program is its maj effort to coordinate and stimulate the churches' efforts to overcom world hunger. Through Church World Service, the Council undertak massive programs in behalf of refugees, especially in the Middle Eas Through the Migrant and Mississippi Delta Ministries it ministers t needs in our own country. Other programs include publishing of literatur in the fields of foreign and home missions, Christian education, life an work, and encouragement of cooperation among the laity.

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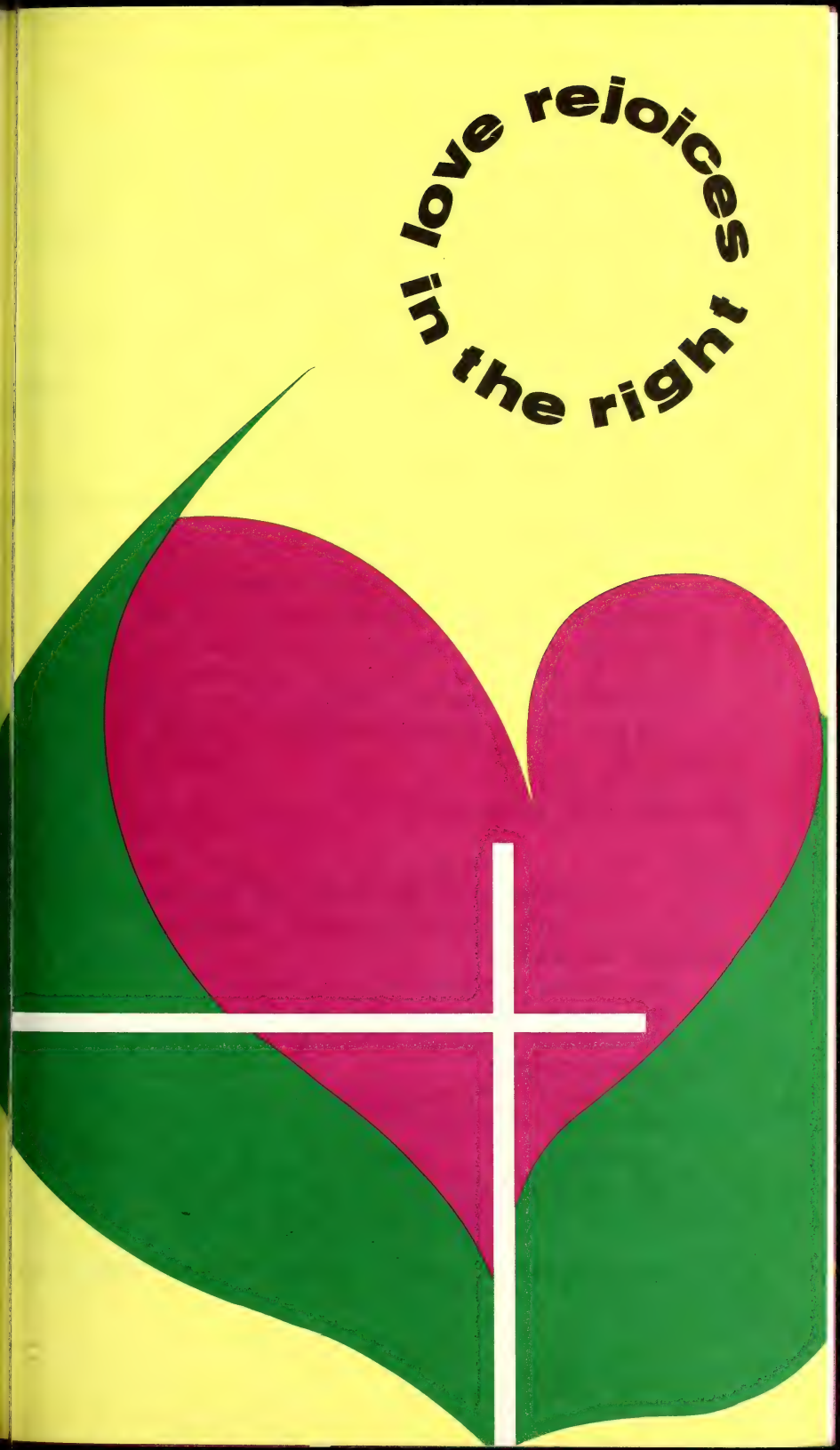
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August 23, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Two Antiphons Young

CHORAL INTROIT O Come Let Us Worship

Call to Worship

*HYMN OF PRAISE 68 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

*UNISON PRAYER

O God, whose will is that we surprise with kindness and disarm with love, show us the need of our neighbor and strengthen us to fill it with joy, that Thy presence may be known in the common acts of every day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 20: 1-15

* Gloria Patri

*STATEMENT OF FAITH

SOLO "God is My Shepherd" Dvorak
"I Will Sing New Songs of Gladness"
Mrs. Maurine Gminder, Soprano

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Hymn 302 "O Zion, Haste ..."

THE OFFERING

Offertory Cantilene Rheinberger

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON <u>A Parable of Grace</u>

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 101 "There's a Wideness in.."

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response — Sevenfold Amen

*POSTLUDE — Allegretto — Franck

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A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended to all who worship with us today. Especially we greet and welcome the visitors among us, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex. Return often.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. George D. Colclough in memory of her father, Mr. J.C. Watts, and in honor of her mother, Mrs. J.C. Watts.

THE THURSDAY EVENING WORSHIP this week will be held at Beverly Hills Church with our Pastor as Guest Minister.

DEVOTIONAL GUIDES for September-October are available on the Narthex Table.

THE PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES will be distributed in the Narthex following our Service this morning. A free copy is available for each family whose picture appears in the directory.

SOFTBALL TONIGHT: Please meet at 6:30 in front of the Parish House.

PROMOTION DAY in the Church School will take place on September 6.

THE WEEKDAY KINDERGARTEN will begin on Wednesday morning at 8:30 in the Parish House. We are delighted to have Mrs. Wallace Hughes as teacher this year.

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **August 23, 197**

I Corinthians 1

What makes you rejoice? One of the saddest things we do as huma beings is to resent others' good fortune and rejoice (at least secretly) i their misfortune. But Paul's great hymn affirms that "love rejoices i the right" or "in the truth." Truth for Paul is not just getting the fact straight. Truth is that action of love that puts relationships right, tha adds not to the hurting but to the helping of others. This correspond to God's right-making love. True love rejoices in the joys of others an seeks with joy to increase them.

"SOUL" LIKE ME!

One morning in the middle of an in-service training session for th employees of the Harrison County (Mississippi) Head Start Projec a black teacher took the hand of her white instructor and said, "I don know where you got the blond hair, but I knew you were 'Soul' like me!

This isolated incident reflects the depth of personal involvemen which recently occurred during a program in which the staff of the Bac Bay Mission and the United Church of Christ in Biloxi, Mississipp took a vital and leading part. A former education director for Hea Start, now a commissioned lay worker in the UCC, Biloxi, helped guid the intensive three-day training program in which persons with specia skills were trained to impart their knowledge effectively to their fellow workers. The pastor of our Biloxi UCC and his wife planned and helpe teach the courses in Black History and in Community Action. Othe courses were offered in Lesson Planning, Curriculum in the Classroom Cooking Experiences, Art, Language Arts, Games and Activities Music, and Math Experiences—all oriented toward the young chil

Attitudes—particularly racial attitudes—are never easy to change whether one lives in the North or in the Deep South. But efforts lik those of our UCC congregation in Biloxi and the nearby Back Ba Mission are making a difference. Through your giving to *Our Christia World Mission* you help the United Church Board for Homeland Min istries to support the work of the Back Bay Mission.

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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina

Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone: 584-929

George Cannon, Choral Director
Mrs. A. B. Gminder, Guest Organist

August 30, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Passacaglia Bende

CHORAL INTROIT Unto Thy Temple, Lord, We Come
Call to Worship
*HYMN OF PRAISE 8 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

*UNISON PRAYER
Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ shared the life of an earthly home, send your blessing upon all families that parents and children may be bound one to another by mutual love; through him who became a child and learned obedience to your will, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 6:1-13 Mr. Beckett
* Gloria Patri
PSALTER READING 96 (Psalm 103) p. 531

SOLO "The Crucifixion" S. Barbe
Miss Sherleen Smith, Soprano

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People Twofold Amen

CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 223 "O For A Thousand Tongues"

THE OFFERING
Offertory Praise God, Ye Christians Buxtehude
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Go, Christians, Go Mr. Hamilto

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 366 "God of Grace and God of Glo

*BENEDICTION
* Choral Response Sevenfold Amen

STLUDE This is the Day the Lord Hath Made Peeters

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*Congregation will stand

ORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we greet and welcome the coaches and players of the 1970 "Fighting Christians".

LITURGIST today is James Beckett, an Elon Sophomore and member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. We welcome also the return of Mrs. Gminder as Guest Organist and Sherleen Smith as soloist of the morning.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Clem in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Russell Clem and Mr. and Mrs. George W. McConkey.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP Executive Board will meet this evening at 7:30 in the Hunter Room.

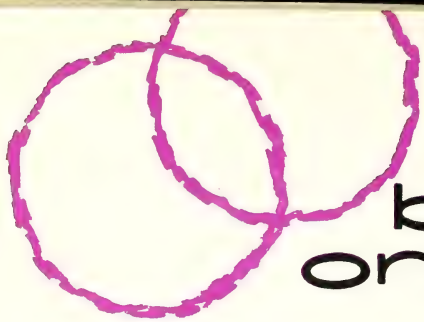
TBALL TONIGHT: Please meet at 6:30 in front of the Parish House.

ICLES for The Torch are due in the Secretary's office Tuesday morning.

OTIONAL GUIDES for September-October are available on the Narthex Table.

MOTION DAY in the Church School is next Sunday. Kindergarten through Grade 6 are asked to meet in the Sanctuary at 9:45.

ILIES who have not received a Pictorial Directory may receive them today in the secretary's office. A free copy is reserved for each family whose picture appears in the directory.



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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **August 30, 1970**

Ephesians 5:21 – 6:4

Our hearts rejoice when we see two young people who have become one in their love and respect for each other. These are the words used in the Letter to the Ephesians: love and respect. Using the example of Christ's love for the church and the church's respect for Christ, husbands are to love their wives and wives are to respect their husbands. When love and respect merge into one, there is a marriage that becomes a microcosm of Christ and the church, a relationship of beauty and of joy, a celebration of genuine manhood and womanhood.

CHRISTIANITY AND "AVACO"

A hundred years ago, Bishop William E. Ketteler of Mainz, Germany, said: "If the apostle Paul were alive today he would start a newspaper." In Japan today, Christian leaders say that if the apostle Paul were alive he would start nothing less than a television station!

In Tokyo shortly after World War II, AVACO, the Audio-Visual Activities Commission of the Japan National Christian Council, began a modern, effective Mass Communications Center. Last year, more than a half-million viewers saw AVACO's Christmas Eve Candlelight Service television program. But this is by no means all that AVACO does. Its communications programs are year-round, not just seasonal – and they constantly are beamed at the people of a country which, as much as any country in the world, has been caught in the problems of rapidly changing social values. In addition to major television and broadcasting activities, AVACO sponsors an annual audio-visual workshop. It took four hotels in the resort town of Karuizawa to house the 522 people who attended one recent summer workshop where thirty-five teachers and lecturers conducted twenty-three different courses on the use of audio-visual materials. Students from eleven countries and from Roman Catholic and Orthodox churches helped make the event both international and interdenominational.

The churches of North America help support this Christian communications program of the Japanese churches through RAVEMCCO, the Radio, Visual Education and Mass Communication Committee of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U. S. A. You help support RAVEMCCO through your gifts to *Our Christian World Mission.*

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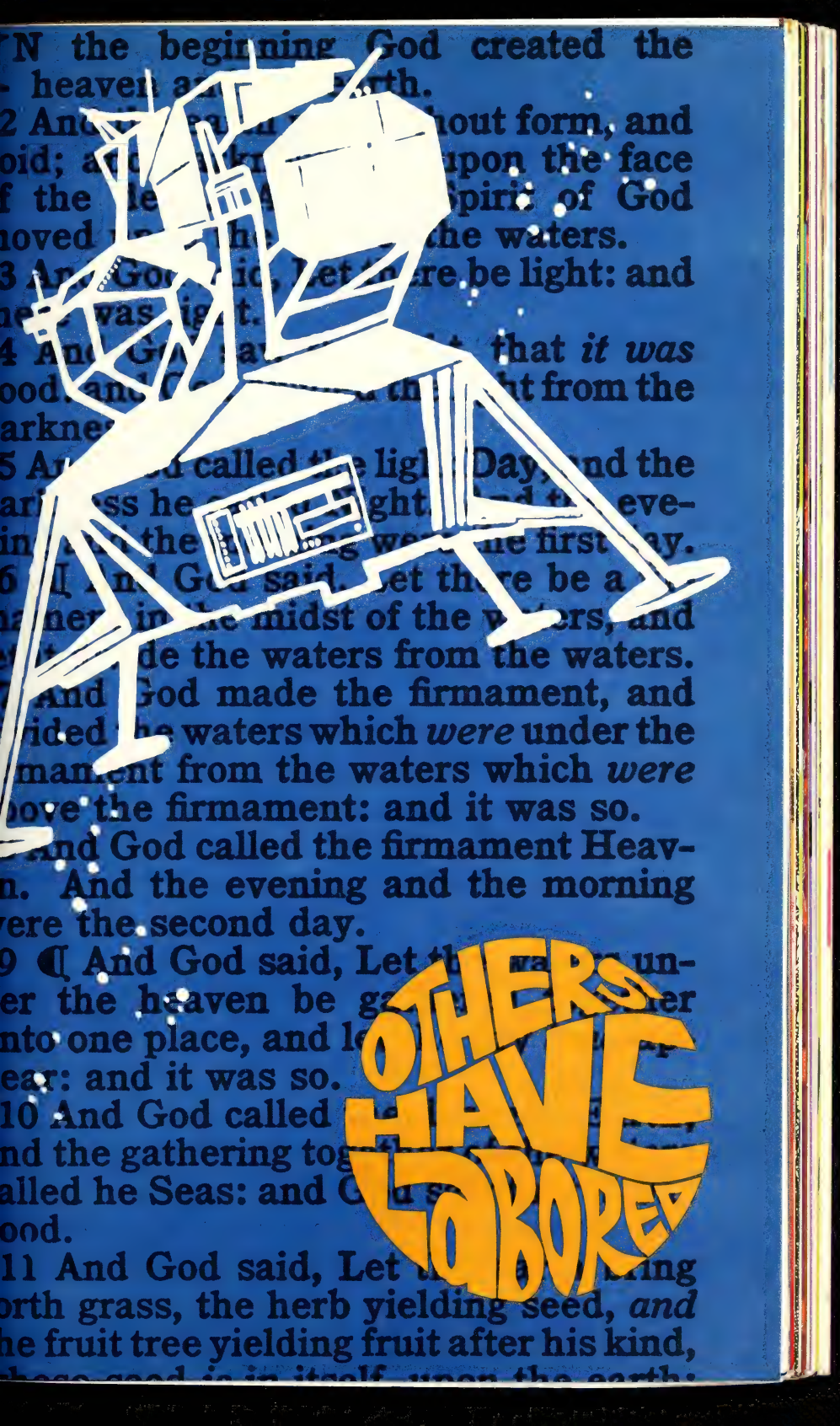

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he fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind,
hose seed is in itself, upon the earth:

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September 6, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Pastor: The Lord is in his holy temple:
People: Let all the earth keep silence before him.
Pastor: Come, Let us worship the Lord our Maker:
People: for he is our God and we are his people.
Choir: "This is the Day the Lord has made"
*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 395 "Behold Us, Lord" (Tune: No. 146)

PSALTER READING 87 Psalm 84 p. 527

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 6:1-15

SOLO My Task Mr. Robert Gwaltney

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Twofold Amen
CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 344 "Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us"
THE OFFERING
Offertory "Largo (From Concerto in D Minor)"
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication Vivaldi
SERMON Grace As Forgiveness

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 421 "We Thank Thee, Lord"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Father, Give Thy Benediction

POSTLUDE Rise Up, My Heart With Gladness Bach

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CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we greet and welcome our visitors, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex.

HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Mrs. Mabel Hinton Fesmire by Miss Nannie D. Reitzel.

HE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to Mrs. Ruth Wicker Rogers upon the death of her brother, Col. Worth Wicker.

HE BOARD OF DEACONS meets this evening at 7:30 in the Hunter Room.

HE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE meets Tuesday evening at 7:00 in the Hunter Room.

HE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP Christian Education Committee meets Wednesday evening at 7:30 in the Junior Classroom. Program Materials will be distributed.

HE ADULT CHOIR is sponsoring a "Choral Coke and Coffee" Wednesday evening at 6:30 in the Parish House. They are encouraging all former choir members and new members to come. Rehearsal will follow at 7:30.

AN ORIENTATION CLASS for persons interested in church membership will be held next Sunday morning at 9:45 in the Secretary's Office.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **September 6, 1970**

John 4:31-38

Why do you labor? Only to earn a living or gain security or provide for a family? Or do you labor to share in the creative work of the Creator —to care for the earth and its peoples? To be "created in his image" is to reflect such creative caring. Today this calls for meeting natural and human pollution with that cleansing purpose expressed so fully in Jesus' life. "Saving the world" has become more than a pious phrase. It is a labor passed on to us, not on the moon but on the earth. The Creator's gift of life is at stake NOW!

LABOR SUNDAY

"Bless the hands that work that we may eat," is always an appropriate prayer. The Calvinist regards labor as a privilege and a duty, but in Genesis work was a penalty for sin. The Lord said to Adam and Eve after they had yielded to temptation, "Because you have done this . . . in the sweat of your face you shall eat bread." Yet, as the machine replaces muscle and even mind, technological man may have to decide whether the right to work will be given as an honor to a chosen few, or as punishment to wrongdoers.

Labor Day was originally observed in 1833 in expectation of the beginning of Christ's millennial reign on earth. In 1889 Socialists designated it as a date for international celebrations. Oregon in 1883 was the first state of the Union to make Labor Day a holiday and all Americans now celebrate it.

However, it is no holiday for half the people of the world who must still glean an inadequate diet by their sweat. Christians have a responsibility to help so that all may partake of the bounty of God's good earth.

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George Cannon, Choral Director
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

September 13, 1970 11:00 A.M

PRELUDE Prelude and Fugue in A Minor Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Let us ask the blessing of the Lord to be upon us today.

People: May the love and grace of God impel us to share the good news of His love for all people.

Unison: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ abide with us in all we think and do this day.

Choir: "This is the Day the Lord has made"

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 1 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

UNISON READING Selection 120 p. 54

ANTHEM The Last Words of David R. Thompso

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 5:33-4

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

The Choral Response Twofold Amer

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Children's Sermon

* Hymn 391 "Be Thou My Vision" (Stanzas 1,2)

THE OFFERING

Offertory Adagio from Concerto No. II Bach

Congregational Resp: "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Nobody is Perfect

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 333 "Father Almighty, Bless Us"

*BENEDICTION

* Congregational Response: The Doxology

*POSTLUDE With Verdure Clad Haydn

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A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. We greet and welcome our visitors, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex. Especially we welcome the return of Elon College students.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. John W. Barney, Jr. in memory of his parents, Professor and Mrs. John W. Barney, Sr. and in memory of her father, Mr. Ellis E. Todd.

TODAY 4:00 New and experienced acolytes will meet with the Pastor.
6:30 All-ages softball game.
7:30 Church Council

THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP will hold its first General meeting of the new year tomorrow evening at 7:30 in the Parish House.

CHOIR REHEARSAL is Wednesday evening at 7:30

AN ORIENTATION CLASS for persons interested in church membership will be held next Sunday morning at 9:45 in the Secretary's Office.

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. Phil Marino is at home following surgery this week at Memorial Hospital. Noel Allen will enter County Hospital today.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH meet next Sunday evening at 6:30.

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST September 13, 1970

Luke 20:45–21:4

"It isn't worth two cents." Did you ever say that about something of no value? But in Luke's Gospel two copper coins were of measureless value. They represented the widow's gift of all that she had—not some token thing but the total dedication of her life. Jesus contrasts this with the gifts of the affluent, so little by comparison. How is it with us? What is the quality of our dedication? What is the value of our investment in God's renewal of the world and his healing of human hurt? Is it worth "two cents"?

EDUCATION AND CELEBRATION IN NORTH INDIA

The night was warm and the veranda of the Woronoco School was covered with sleeping children. They were sleeping overnight at school because their teachers had offered to spend extra time with them in preparation for the annual required government examinations.

Present plans of the government of India calls for elementary schools for all India's children through the fifth grade. As the government takes greater responsibility for public education, the church's area of responsibility needs rethinking. Perhaps it may be in the area of experimentation, for government schools present a very formal type of education. Last year, the government inspector while on his "rounds" in Woronoco said, "I want to see something different here from elsewhere." He encouraged Mrs. Padminibai D. Bandelu, the headmistress and her staff to carry on a more American type of education with more freedom in reading material and activity than is usual in Indian schools.

The Woronoco School, located near Sholapur in Western India, will be related to the new Church of North India which will be formally inaugurated next month. The new church will encompass the present United Church (of which the United Church Board for World Ministries related and Presbyterian-related work is already a part) together with the work of six other churches including the Anglican Church, the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), and the United Methodist Church. Through your giving to *Our Christian World Mission,* you stand by the new United Church of North India in these changing times.

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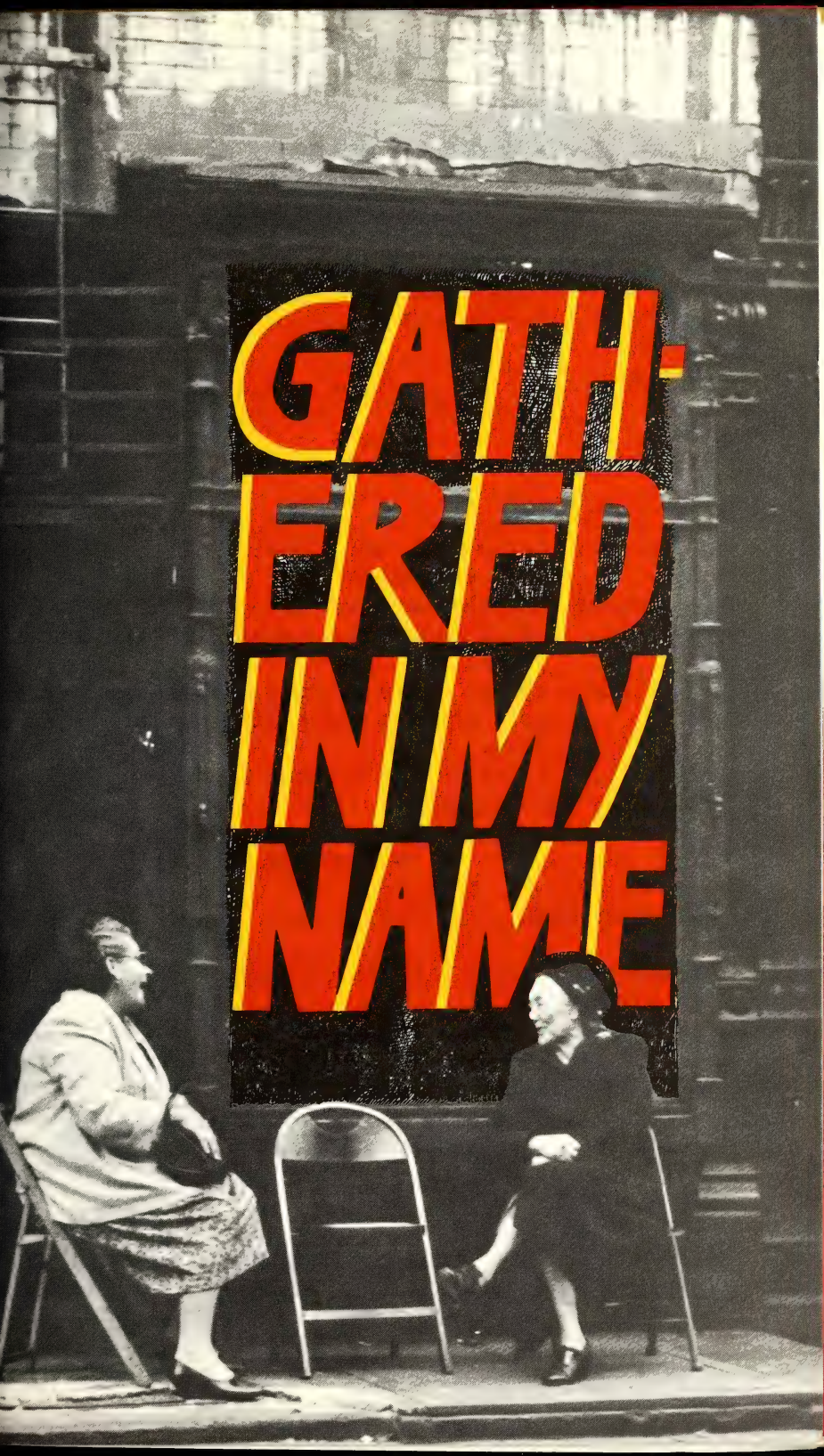
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George Cannon, Choral Director
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

September 20, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Larghetto Handel

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Let us ask the blessing of the Lord to be upon us today.

People: May the love and grace of God impel us to share the good news of His love for all people.

Unison: By the power of God, may we become channels through which His love and grace may flow.

Choir: "This is the Day the Lord has made"

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 433 "God of Our Fathers"

UNISON READING Selection 125 p. 544

ANTHEM With a Voice of Singing M. Shaw

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 18:12-20

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

The Choral Response Hear Thou Our Prayer

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Children's Sermon

* Hymn 66 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

THE OFFERING

Offertory Arioso Handel

Cong. Response: "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Prayer of Dedication

SERMON "Two or Three Plus One"

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 411 "Lord God of Hosts"

*BENEDICTION

Congregational Response: The Doxology

*POSTLUDE Allegro Reger

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A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. We greet and welcome our visitors, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mary Lee Foster in memory of her parents, Reverend and Mrs. J. L. Foster, Sr., and her brother James L. Foster, Jr.

TODAY

6:30 Senior High Youth meet for a hot dog Liftoff.

7:00 Hymnal Committee and others meet at the parsonage to review the hymnal: Sing to the Lord.

7:30 Stewardship and Missionary Education Committee meets in the Hunter Room.

CHOIR REHEARSAL is Wednesday evening at 7:30.

COUPLES who claim to be under 30 are invited to the parsonage Friday evening at 8:00.

HOSPITALIZED: Noel Allen is a surgical patient at County Hospital.

AN ORIENTATION CLASS for new members will meet next Sunday morning at 9:45.

GATHERED IN MY NAME

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST September 20, 1970

Matthew 18:15-22

What's in a name? For biblical writers a person's name carried the meaning of that person's life. Matthew writes: "You shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." Jesus means "God will save." To gather in his name is not simply to hold a religious meeting. It is to let his spirit overcome the distortions of broken relationships and bring us together with forgiving power. And often it may be in two's or three's. For there, life can meet life in the presence of him who seeks to "save" us all.

GRASS-ROOTS POWER AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The West Side Community Development Corporation (WSCDC) is a combination of five Chicago organizations committed to grass-roots power and economic development. One group, the West Side Organization, won initial support through job placement and welfare organizing. Another, the Garfield Organization, began with political education. A third, the Student Afro American Group, started with negotiating neighborhood health services. Two others, the "Cobra Nation" and the "Conservative Vice Lords" began as street gangs, but all are now committed to using income generated by community-owned economic ventures for the welfare and economic development of the community.

Individually and together they have successfully launched a wide variety of businesses—many with national franchises: gasoline stations, restaurants, a supermarket, security guard service, pool hall, fashion shop, and paper-baling business. Together they have financed a community center for the expression of Black culture and history through the arts, business training classes, scholarships, and police community relations and consumer education programs. Their motto might well be the words from James Brown's soul hit, "Open the door; I'll get it myself."

Through the Neighbors in Need Offering, the United Church of Christ Commission for Racial Justice has provided seed money and consultation to the Garfield Organization, one of the WSCDC participants, and for 42 other projects this past year. The real problem is one of selecting which projects to help of the more than 200 annual requests for funds. The commission's ability to help is limited only by our generosity.

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to bring
peace,

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September 27, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Choral in E Major (Moderato) Franck

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: With open minds and open lives, gather in joyfulness in the presence of the living God.

People: We gather as people of God to sing, to praise, to pray, to renew our vows of service to God and man.

Pastor: Then, let us worship God together.

Choir: "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 35 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH Hymnal

ANTHEM Hallelujah Chorus (Mount of Olives)
L. V. Beethoven

SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 150
Verses from Revelation

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

The Choral Response Threefold Amen

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Children's Sermon

* Hymn 84 "The Lord's My Shepherd"

THE OFFERING

Offertory Pastorale Bach

Cong. Response: "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Prayer of Dedication

SERMON God: Too Small or Too Big?

HYMN OF DEDICATION 490 "Now in the Days of Youth"

BENEDICTION

Congregational Response: The Doxology

POSTLUDE Ein Feste Burg ist unser Gott Bach

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CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. We greet and welcome our visitors, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex.

HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Mrs. W. P. Lawrence.

HE SENIOR HIGH YOUTH (Grades 9-12) meet this evening at 6:30 in the Youth Room of the Parish House.

HE FINANCE COMMITTEE meets tomorrow evening at 8:00. All budget requests for 1971 are due before this meeting.

RTICLES FOR THE TORCH should be in the Secretary's office by Tuesday morning.

OSPITALIZED: Mrs. Charles R. Jefferys is a surgical patient at Memorial Hospital.

HE SACRAMENT of Holy Communion will be celebrated here next Sunday.

HOIR REHEARSAL is Wednesday at 7:30.

N ORIENTATION CLASS for new members will meet next Sunday morning at 9:45.

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **September 27, 1970**

Christian Education Week **Matthew 10:26-42**

Why Christian education? Does it really matter? In Matthew's Gospel Jesus' teaching is education for discipleship and mission. Such education is not a matter of sentimental sweetness. It may meet with hostility and even cut into family ties. Christian education basically seeks to lead a person into a primary loyalty to Jesus' mission of extending God's mercy and justice. It means a cutting commitment that seeks human health. That health is genuine peace.

MORE AND MORE TOGETHER

"Joint Educational Development" is the way Christian educators of six major American denominations define what they've been doing lately. Their purpose? To plan for education in the next decades. This means that none of the denominations will do its planning in isolation. All will be informed by a common understanding of the world, the church, and its mission. All will be relating their educational tasks within the church to the general educational task of our society. Christian education, these planners are quick to point out, must encompass both the intentionally planned educational programs of the church and the educational influence of the total life of the church.

There is every likelihood, says one denominational educational executive, that there will never again be a single curriculum related to any single denominational group. "Rather," he predicts, "curriculum will consist of a broad selection of resources available to meet the needs—the varied educational needs—of local parishes of a variety of types as they face a variety of situations." Denominational resources will thus contribute to, but not encompass, all the possible combinations of materials available to the local church. The United Church Board for Homeland Ministries, and the United Presbyterian Board of Christian Education are full participants in this joint Educational Development

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October 4, 1970 World Communion Sunday 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Aus Tiefer Not Schrei ich zu dir Reger

CALL TO WORSHIP

Choral Introit Gracious God, I come before thee, Come thou also unto me; Where we find thee and adore thee, There a heaven on earth must be. To my heart O enter thou, Let it be thy temple now.

*HYMN 251 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

*UNISON PRAYER

O Lord our God, in joyfulness we recognize your leading of our lives. As a company of seekers, we are grateful for these moments to turn our thoughts from ourselves to your wonderful presence with us. In devotion we offer the prayer our Master taught his disciples:

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 6:25-35

* Gloria Patri

THE PASTORAL PRAYER with Choral Amen

Pastor: The Lord be with you
People: And with thy spirit.
Pastor: Let us pray:

MEDITATION Nothing Special, Just Bread

THE OFFERING

Offertory Andante Bach
Cong. Response "We Give Thee but Thine Own"
Prayer of Dedication

ANTHEM Lord Jesus, Think on Me E. Pedrette

THE SERVICE OF COMMUNION
The invitation of Christ
Communion Collect
General Confession (in unison) Hymnal, P. 495
Assurance of Pardon
Words of Institution
Distribution of the Elements
Thanksgiving

HYMN 341 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"
(Stanzas 1-4)

BENEDICTION
Congregational Response: The Doxology

POSTLUDE Nun Danket Alle Gott Reger

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HE HOLY COMMUNION is served today to all confirmed members of Christ's Church. We celebrate "open communion", inviting all professing Christians to join us in this Sacrament of Faith.

HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Dr. J. A. Hunter by Mrs. Hunter and family.

SHERS for the month are A. L. Hook, A. L. Rich, T. L. Smith, Simon Stone, W. B. Terrell, George Troxler, and Fred Walter.

HE SENIOR YOUTH meet this evening at 6:30 in the Parish House.

ircle #1 meets Mon. at 10:00 A.M. with Mrs. Danieley
ircle #2 meets Mon. at 3:30 P.M. with Mrs. Hook
ircle #3 meets Mon. at 8:00 P.M. with Miss Reitzel
ircle #4 meets Mon. at 10:00 A.M. with Mrs. Allen
ircle #5 meets Tues. at 8:00 P.M. with Mrs. McLelland
ircle #6 meets Tues. at 8:00 P.M. with Mrs. Edgerton

DO YOU LOVE ME?

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **October 4, 1970**

World Communion Sunday

Our Neighbors In Need Offering **John 21:15-19**

What mark will you make? A zero or cross? A commitment to nothing or a commitment to Christ? Participation in the Lord's Supper is no religious rite on the church's periphery. It stands as the central focus of our commitment to God's love for the world. His Table points to a fellowship of love that cuts across all the geographical and national, racial and social, economic and political barriers that divide us. To implement the meaning of that Table is to love Christ in meeting the needs of our neighbors near and far. Your mark: a zero or a cross?

TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY-NINE "THANK YOUS"

Two hundred and thirty-nine young men and women attended college this past year as a result of the United Church of Christ Commission for Racial Justice (CRJ) Higher Education Program. They came from Mississippi, North Carolina, Georgia, Texas, New York, Ohio, Virginia, and Connecticut. All of them needed help in order to go on to school. Many of them had just about given up. CRJ sought them out, renewed their hope and, with the help of fifteen colleges related to the United Church of Christ which shared the cost, provided their scholarships. Today they are firmly launched. Without exception, they merit our continued support.

The "honor roll" of colleges helping the Commission for Racial Justice this past year included:

Catawba College	Fisk University	Pacific University
Cedar Crest College	Franklin and Marshall College	Ripon College
Defiance College	Heidelberg College	Talladega College
Dillard University	Hood College	Tougaloo Southern Christian College
Elon College	Huston-Tillotson College	Tuskegee University

Twenty-three percent of the CRJ budget this past year went for this Higher Education Program. Your generous gift to the Neighbors in Need All-Church Offering and your congregation's special efforts in response to the Crisis in the Nation appeal will assure additional help for these and other minority students in the future. They thank you!

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Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

October 11, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Sonata in G Minor (Larghetto) Tartini

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: We search in the spirit of worship for God's help in making our lives less selfish and more loving.

People: We gather as people of God to sing, to praise, to pray, to renew our vows of service to God and man.

Pastor: Then, let us worship God together.

Choir: "Lo, God is Here!"

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 6 "O Worship the King"

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH Hymnal

ANTHEM Blessing and Honor C. F. Mueller

SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 42:1-5
Acts 20:17-36

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

The Choral Response Twofold Amen

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Children's Sermon

* Hymn 227 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

THE OFFERING

Offertory Menuett C. P. E. Bach

* Cong. Response "We Give Thee but Thine Own"

* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON The Whole Counsel of God

HYMN OF DEDICATION 441 "Once to Every Man and Nation"

BENEDICTION
Congregational Response: The Doxology
POSTLUDE Triumphant March Vierne

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*Congregation will stand

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HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Dr. and Mrs. John G. Truitt in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Truitt and Mr. and Mrs. Brock D. Jones.

ODAY

4:00	Confirmation Class
4:00	Vespers in Whitley Auditorium
6:30	Senior High Youth
6:30	Worship Committee
6:30	Board of Deacons
7:30	Church Council

HE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION Committee meets Tuesday evening at 7:30.

HE ANNUAL MEETING of the Eastern North Carolina Association opens at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday at St. Mark's Church.

HE QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING of our congregation will be held next Sunday evening at 7:30.

RTICLES for The Torch are due in the Secretary's office by Tuesday morning.

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **October 11, 1970**

Laity Sunday **Luke 11:5-13**

Ask! Yes, but for what? Just anything? Luke's Gospel speaks of asking for the Holy Spirit. But what does that mean? For Luke, to receive the Spirit means to bear "good news to the poor . . . release to the captives . . . sight to the blind . . . the acceptable year of the Lord." This was Jesus' mission that becomes the mission of his followers. To ask means to ask with the expectation of a little child for the power to fulfill our true vocation—to make life count for human healing and liberation now in this year of our Lord. The time is now!

LAITY IS ME . . . WITH YOU . . . IN THE WORLD

"Laity is me . . . with you . . . in the world." The order, not the grammer is important, for being a Christian is an individual matter which includes other people, not simply within the confines of the church, but in the world. A recent filmstrip featured a student, an electronics engineer, a naval architect, an elementary school teacher, a housewife, the owner-president of a small corporation, a retired school superintendent, a magazine editor. What do they all have in common? They are all Christians, active both in their own congregations and in their denomination. The word that binds them together is "laity." They are eight people . . . men and women, black and white, easterners and westerners, northerners and southerners, from large churches and small. They are individuals . . . related to one another . . . in the world.

But just what does this mean: to be a "layman"? It does not necessarily mean any lack of preparation or ability. Nor does it ever mean a lack of "ministry," for all Christians are called to minister to each other. But rather, it means to be God's people who are called to *be* the salt of the earth, not simply to *provide* the salt. The gospel can only work through them—through us—individually and together to free men from all that separates them from God and from each other, to liberate them from the abundant life.

United Presbyterian Women and the National Council of United Presbyterian Men, and the Council for Lay Life and Work of the United Church of Christ—all point to this important sequence: Being a Christian is a matter of "me . . . with you . . . in the world."

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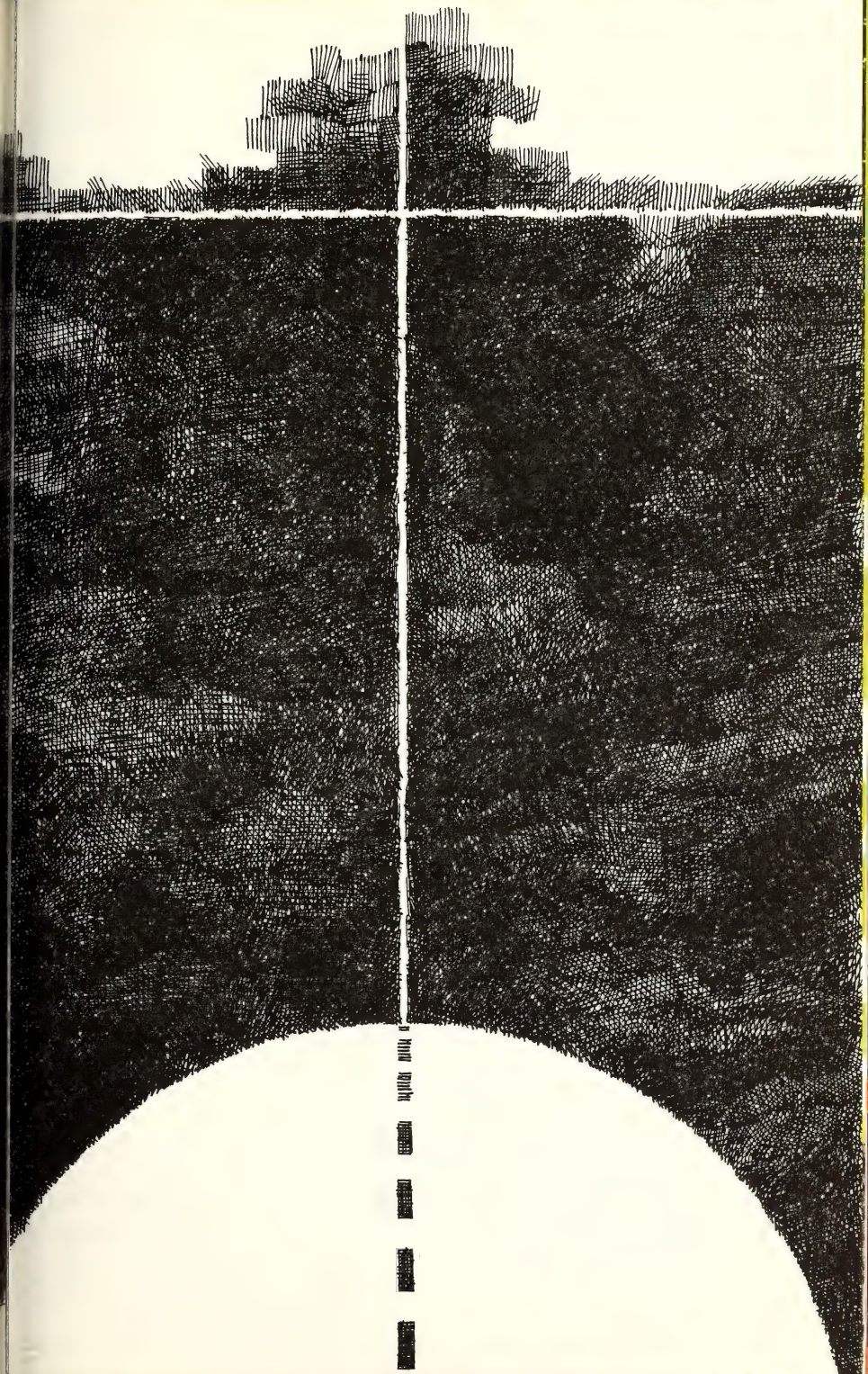

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October 18, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Soli Deo Gloria No. I Van Hulse

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: God calls us into his church to be his servants in the service of men.

People: We gather as people of God to sing, to praise, to pray, to renew our vows of faithfulness and love.

Pastor: Then, let us worship God together.

Choir: "Lo, God is Here"

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 263 "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH Hymnal

ANTHEM O Be Joyful In The Lord D. Roach

SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 116
Luke 9:51-62

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

The Choral Response Twofold Amen

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Children's Sermon

* Hymn 64 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

THE OFFERING

Offertory Offertory No. II Van Hulse

* Cong. Response "We Give Thee but Thine Own"

* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON On The Move And Restless

HYMN OF DEDICATION 363 "A Mighty Fortress..."

BENEDICTION

Congregational Response: The Doxology

POSTLUDE Fugue in F Major J. S. Bach

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*Congregation will stand

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mrs. Lewis Smith in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd L. Hughes.

TODAY

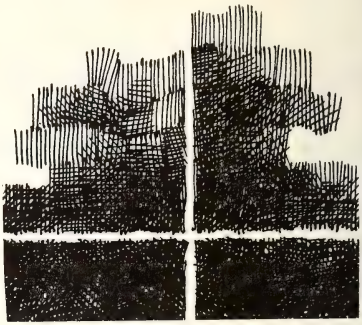
4:00 Confirmation Class
5:30 Seekers' Class Supper
6:30 Senior High Youth
7:30 Quarterly Meeting of the Congregation.

THE ADULT CHOIR will rehearse Wednesday evening at 7:30. The Junior Choir for children in grades 4, 5, and 6 will practice on Thursday afternoons at 3:15.

THE CHURCHMEN'S FELLOWSHIP will hold their fall meeting on Thursday evening at our Carolina Church.

HOSPITALIZED at Memorial are Mrs. Paul Reddish and Mrs. Henry Hilliard.

SPECIAL ENVELOPES are on the back of each pew for contributions to the property expansion.



TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST October 18, 1970

World Order Sunday **Luke 9:51-62**

Circumference or center? One who stays on the edge of things is not likely to encounter any fatal hostility. But the one who confronts the center of power is in for real trouble. Jesus' integrity of purpose would not let him remain at a safe distance. He went "where the action was." His attack on vested interests—more concerned with self-preservation than with mercy and justice—led to his death. Yet, the cross finally is not a symbol of defeat but of God's power at work in Jesus' total commitment. Circumference or center? Where are you?

THE WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Do Christian people really have an obligation in the face of international disorder?

The founding Assembly of the World Council of Churches at Amsterdam said: "It's the duty of the Christian to pray for all men, especially for those in authority; to combat both hatred and resignation in regard to war; to support negotiation rather than primary reliance upon arms as an instrument of policy; and to sustain such national policies as in his judgment best reflect Christian principles." The Commission of the Churches on International Affairs (CCIA) is the channel for representation of the World Council at the United Nations, and for helping its member churches and councils in their political concerns. The World Council recognizes that most political struggles of the world have moral dimensions which call for Christian commitment and action.

In addition to the crises in Vietnam and the Middle East and in the reconstruction required in Nigeria, CCIA currently reflects the church's concern for the Second Development Decade, human environment and new initiatives in disarmament of chemical and biological weapons.

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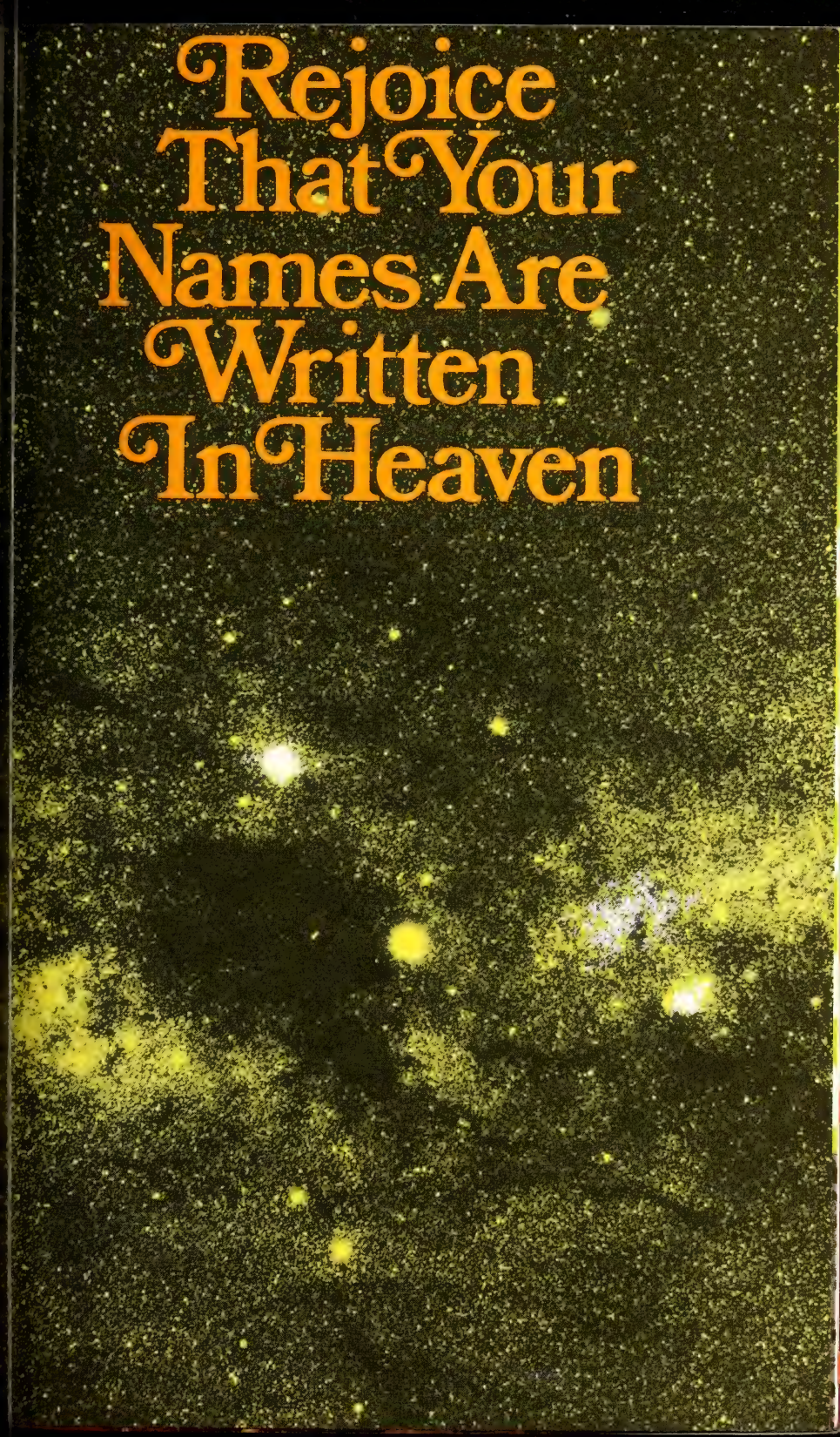
Rejoice That Your Names Are Written In Heaven



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October 25, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Sheep May Safely Graze J. S. Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP Susan Perry

Leader: God Calls us into his church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship.

People: We gather as people of God to sing, to praise, to pray, to renew our vows of faithfulness and love.

Leader: In Spirit and in truth, let us worship God together.

Choir: "Lead Me, Lord"

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 260 "The Church's One Foundation"

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH Kay Matlock

ANTHEM Sing to the Lord C. P. E. Bach

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 15:11-24 Rita Snyder

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Father, Hear Our Prayer

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP
Children's Sermon Sheree Atkinson
* Hymn 66 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

THE OFFERING
Offertory Adagio Cantabile Tartini
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee but Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication

ERMON Rebellions of Youth Mr. Hamilton

*YMN OF DEDICATION 490 "Now in the Days of Youth"

*ENEDICTION
* Congregational Response: The Doxology
*OSTLUDE Allegretto Franck

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*Congregation will stand

TE YOUTH of our church share in leading our Service of Worship today. Others of the Senior Youth Fellowship are serving as ushers.

ACORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. We greet and welcome our visitors, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex.

TE ATLAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mrs. L. D. Martin and Family in memory of Mr. L. D. Martin.

TDAY
4:00 Confirmation Class
6:00 Youth - Adult Softball Game
7:30 Our pastor will preach the Installation Sermon for Rev. Wayne Gardner in Sanford, N. C.

TE SEWING GROUP of the Women's Fellowship will meet Wednesday October 28 at 2:30 with Mrs. John G. Truitt.

TE FALL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM of the Church Women will be held on Friday at 10:00 A.M. at Ebenezer UCC, Burlington.

OUPLES who claim to be 30 or under are invited to a cook-out costume party on Friday evening at 7:00 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Updyke.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **October 25, 1970**

Youth Sunday **Luke 10:17-24**

"Written in heaven." What strange words? Do they mean that each of us is known in the heart of God, not as a statistic but as a unique person? To know that the Heart of Life affirms who we are frees us *from* establishing our basic identity and *for* meeting all dehumanizing powers in the name of such Supreme Caring. But first things first. The joy first of being loved then frees us, whether young or old, to love with liberating power. This means to work not just for one nation but for one world under The One who knows all by name.

MINISTERING TO A CHANGING GENERATION

What ministry can we have to the now generation—our youth? Is it to merely hold them for the church? Is it to indoctrinate them with the values which we learned from our fathers? Is it to discipline, channel, and guide? Or is it perhaps to see them in a continuing struggle with our culture, to stand with them in their hard decisions, to speak for them when they cannot make themselves heard? These are questions now being asked by the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries and the United Presbyterian Board of Christian Education as they plan for work with youth.

In many cases, speaking for youth may indeed be our most significant ministry to them. The now generation is not the only, or perhaps the ultimately most important, target of our youth ministry. The church must join young people around the issues which concern them and which face the whole of our society—racial justice, human rights, international peace. In this engagement, youth are as much teachers as learners, for they have not yet been intimidated by expediency or shackled by the enervating daily demands of adult responsibility.

What shall the church do for youth? The question could be rephrased, what can the youth do for the church? Not all youth, not all the church—this would be too simple. But increasing numbers of youth speaking to increasing numbers of their elders within the common fellowship of the church can perhaps, just perhaps, help the church better to be what it was called to be.

What then can youth offer the church? A new, unique insight, strength, flexibility, imagination, resourcefulness. But beware of the age-old temptation of saying, if it's old (or if it's new) it must be good.

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ike a grain of mustard seed...

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Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

November 1, 1970 Reformation Sunday 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Prelude and Fugue in G Major J. S. Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: God calls us into his church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship.

People: We gather as people of God to sing, to praise, to pray, to renew our vows of faithfulness and love.

Pastor: In Spirit and in truth, let us worship God together.

Choir: "Gracious God, we come before Thee"

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 206 "Ye Servants of God"

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS
Sacrament of Baptism
Statement of Faith Hymnal

SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 4

* Gloria Patri

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Father, Hear Our Prayer

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 391 "Be Thou My Vision" (Stanzas 1,2)

THE OFFERING
Offertory Solos "God is My Shepherd" Dvorak
"I Will Sing Songs of Gladness"
Mrs. Maurine Gminder, Soprano

* Cong. Response "We Give Thee but Thine Own"

* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON The Mighty Laity

HYMN 363 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Sevenfold Amen

POSTLUDE Come Holy Ghost, Creator Blest Van Hulse

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*Congregation will stand

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HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. John D. Schmidt in memory of his mother, Mrs. Marie Van Volkom.

ECEIVED TODAY as new members of our congregation are Mr. and Mrs. William Barbee and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Simons. Received as Associate Members are Mr. and Mrs. John Gambill and Mrs. Mary Shaw Cunningham.

ODAY 6:30 Senior High Youth
7:30 Board of Deacons

HE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS has begun in our effort to underwrite the 1971 church budget. The Women's Breakfast was held this morning; the Men's Breakfast is next Sunday morning at 8:00 o'clock. Pledges may be submitted between now and November 15. On that afternoon our men will visit families who have yet to submit pledges. We look for 100 per cent participation.

THE CIRCLES of the Women's Fellowship meet this week.

OUR SERVICE OF WORSHIP today is being broadcast over radio station WBBB, courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Long.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST November 1, 197

Reformation Sunday **Matthew 13:31-3**

Who would think that some Hebrew slaves would become a light to th nations? That a humble carpenter would become the Savior of the world? That an obscure monk would become the leader of the Reformation? Tha an aged pope would become the initiator of ecumenical renewal? Tha a Black woman on a bus would inaugurate a civil rights movement? God's rule does not begin with the earth's mighty. Because it begins wit the humble, nobody is left out. The small beginning grows to embrac everyone who needs such a Ruler and who is humble enough to receiv him.

REFORM AND RENEWAL IN 1970

In the rolling California hills which lie east of the San Francisco Bay where thousands of suburbanites have planted their roots in recent years a new spirit of cooperation and renewal can be found in the Valle Covenant Ministry. Methodist, Disciples, United Presbyterian, Epis copal, Baptist, and United Church of Christ congregations are al involved in this unique "cluster" ministry; and while the Roman Catholi parish is not a member it, too, cooperates in joint programming.

Beginning in 1968, these groups met to explore the possibilities o a valley-wide ecumenical ministry. From the start they were dependen upon both lay participation and clergy commitment. Today, the Valle Covenant Ministry (VCM)—an outgrowth of these early meetings— develops cooperative staff and program assignments, joint special wor ship services and vacation church schools, and coordination with severa community task groups: Interchurch Counseling Service, Youth Encounter, and ACCORD, a group organized around race and poverty with interests in Job Corps tutoring, housing, and political action in behal of low-income persons.

Such interdenominational "clustering" of congregations to cooperat in a joint form of ministry is one of the ways in which the church is re forming and renewing itself for mission in the seventies. The Unite Church Board for Homeland Ministries, and the United Presbyterian Board of National Missions participate.

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November 8, 1970 Stewardship Sunday 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Psalm 19 "The Heavens Declare" B. Marcello

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit We Praise Thee, O God
UNISON PRAYER
Be Thou, O God, among us in this holy hour. Make us to be aware of our need for Thee and our desire for thy blessing, that we may put all our trust in Thee.
THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 15 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

STATEMENT OF FAITH Hymnal

NEW TESTAMENT READING II Corinthians 9
* Gloria Patri
ANTHEM Dear Lord and Father of Mankind C. Parry

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Twofold Amen
CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 300 "Rise Up, O Men of God"
THE OFFERING
Offertory Solo Miss Joyce Ford, Soprano
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee but Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication
SERMON Some Synonyms for "Stewards"

*HYMN 383 "Forward Through the Ages"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response — Threefold Amen

POSTLUDE — Voluntary IX — J. Stanley

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HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Percy Benton in memory of her father, Mr. Charles R. Fry.

LEDGES toward the 1971 church budget are requested today or next Sunday. Those who prefer may have canvassers call in your homes next Sunday afternoon.

HE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION Committee meets Tuesday evening at 7:00 in the Hunter Room.

RTICLES for The Torch are due in the secretary's office by Tuesday morning.

OSPITALIZED: Mrs. J. A. Hunter at Memorial, Burlington, and Mrs. R. S. Shomaker at Cone, Greensboro.

UR SERVICE OF WORSHIP this morning is being broadcast over radio station WBBB.

ARENTS' WEEKEND concludes this afternoon at two o'clock with musical presentations by the concert band and the Emanons in Whitley Auditorium. The public is invited.

AILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDES are available in the Narthex.

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **November 8, 197**

Stewardship Sunday **Matthew 22:23-3**

Where are your roots? Of what heritage are you a steward? As Christian our roots are in ancient Israel. The heritage of the Fathers lives for us a we, like them, respond to God's call as stewards, by which "all th families of the earth are to be blessed." We participate in a stewardsh of God's liberating and resurrecting power. Expressed climactically i Jesus, that power seeks to bring all peoples to harmonious relationship and true life. Can there be any greater stewardship than that? What wi be the quality of your investment in it?

AS BIG AS LIFE . . .

Stewardship is a many-splendored thing. It is not a facet of life; it i all of life. Money is not all of stewardship, but stewardship has somethin to say about all of our money. It is not a fight between one-tenth and nine tenths, but a God-guided use of ten-tenths. "The earth is the Lord's an the fullness thereof."

Christian stewardship is not concerned about minimums but abou maximums. It is not legalism with a club, but at the same time it is nc mush, gush and velvet stinginess. Christian stewardship is a style of life all of life, and how we live it. It is concerned about what we get, how w get it, and what we do with it after we get it. Christian stewardshi assumes that God isn't interested in pocketbooks as such, but that He i deeply interested in persons, and he knows that persons may be reache through pocketbooks quicker than through prayer meetings. We believ God calls us to be good stewards in the care of the earth and its resource in our relations with other persons, and in our use of money.

He comes to us each day saying, "What is this I hear about you? Tur in an account of your stewardship . . ."

—Rev. James Lollis

Secretary for Stewardship
in Unified Promotion
The Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)

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who are saved be few?

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November 15, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now
J. Walther

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Lead Me, Lord

UNISON PRAYER
Lord God, bless us now with a sense of thy presence. Deepen our faith that we need not fear. Help us to be forgiving that we might know forgiveness. Make real to us Him who loves us and gave himself for us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 35 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

STATEMENT OF FAITH
* Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 8:1-10,13

THE COMMISSIONING OF CANVASSERS

ANTHEM For You Shall Go Out in Joy K. Newbury

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Twofold Amen

CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 341 "Dear Lord and Father (Stanzas 1-3)

THE OFFERING
Offertory Solo "O Love That Casts Out Fear" Bach
Bruce Johnson, Baritone
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication

ERMON Where Faith is Lived Out

YMN 366 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

ENEDICTION

Choral Response Father, Give Thy Benediction

OSTLUDE Agincourt Hymn J. Dunstable

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EDGES to the 1971 Church Budget are received last Sunday and today. Those who prefer may have canvassers call in your home this afternoon between the hours of two and four. We hope to be able to report next Sunday that the budget has been pledged in full.

E SENIOR HIGH YOUTH (Grades 9-12) meet this evening at 6:30 in the Youth Room.

RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING for Cub Pack 51 sponsored by our church will be held Tuesday evening at seven o'clock in the Parish House

SPITALIZED: Mrs. J. A. Hunter at Memorial, Burlington, and Mrs. R. S. Shomaker at Cone, Greensboro.

E COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE will be held at 7:30 P.M. on Wednesday, November 25, at the First Baptist Church with Dr. John Truitt preaching.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **November 15, 1970**

Luke 13:22-30

"Are you saved?" Not many of us use that language anymore. We associate it with fire-and-brimstone preaching concerned with saving men from a fiery hell. Yet the question still is valid. Reworded it might read: "Are you accepting God's health for your life?" We all have been exposed to this offer, but Jesus indicates that even religious leaders often in fact reject it. God's health is not surface salve smeared superficially upon us. We can receive it only by allowing it to penetrate deeply. Sadly most of us prefer our self-centered sickness. Are you among the few?

FRED GOMENDO, NEW GENERATION OF CHRISTIAN LEADER

Fred Gomendo was born of illiterate, non-Christian parents on a European farm in the Chipinga district of Rhodesia. By the age of ten he had left home and was working at a tea estate at what he calls "a salary" of 35¢ a month. He became a Christian, but his new religion made little real impact on his life. When he was thirteen, he began attending night school and showed such promise that friends encouraged him to go to Mt. Silinda Institute—one of our mission-supported schools. There, he became a boarder and completed his primary course in record time. A year later, after teaching school at Umtali, Fred returned to Mt. Silinda to take a building course. When he finished in 1951 he married a teacher and began to work as a builder in a nearby village, Emerald. Then, after a decade of commercial success as a builder, and as the owner of a village store, a truck and a bus, Fred Gomendo found his growing prosperity unsatisfying and went back to school, to a theological school. He is now graduated and facing the challenge of being a minister in the Rhodesian church, a church that is struggling to find self-support and relevance to life today.

Epworth Theological College, where Fred Gomendo received his theological education was begun by British Methodists but now is supported by five denominational mission boards, including the United Church Board for World Ministries. Training leaders for church and society is one of the highest priorities for the UCBWM—in Rhodesia and around the world.

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Come Out Meet Him

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina

Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone: 584-9294
George Cannon, Choral Director
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

November 22, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Priere Boellmann

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: O Lord, how manifold are Thy works, in wisdom hast Thou made them all; the earth is full of Thy riches.

People: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.

Pastor: I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house.

People: I will offer to Thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the Lord.

Choir: Lord God of Morning

INVOCATION and THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 21 "We Gather Together"

PSALTER READING 95 Psalm 100

* Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT READING Philippians 4:4-13

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

The Choral Response Threefold Amen

ANTHEM The Brotherhood of Man Chenoweth

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 460 "We Plow the Fields and Scatter"

THE OFFERING

Anthem God Who Made the Earth Junior Choir

Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Litany of Dedication (Insert)

SERMON Giving Thanks in Tough Times

*HYMN 462 "Come, Ye Thankful People"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response Twofold Amen

*POSTLUDE Voluntary VIII Stanley

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*Congregation will stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Boland in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Boland and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fuqua.

TODAY 4:00 Youth Department Hayride
7:30 Executive Board, Women's Fellowship
7:30 Heritage Rally, Catawba College Chapel

We are delighted to have our Junior Choir sing for our Service today. They are directed by Mrs. Cynthia Poker. The Family Thank Offering is a way of giving thanks daily. These daily thanks are given with our offering this morning by two families representing the whole congregation.

THE ADULT CHOIR will rehearse on Monday evening at 7:30 this week.

THE COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE will be held Wednesday evening at 7:30 at the First Baptist Church with Dr. John Truitt preaching.

PLEDGED: $20,092.00 toward a Current goal of $29,438.20; $5,024.80 toward a Benevolent goal of $5,812.50; $4,689.40 toward a Building Fund goal of $10,000.00.

Come Out to Meet Him

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 22, 1970

Forefathers Sunday

Bible Sunday **Matthew 25:1-13**

For what do you watch most? New job opportunities? New chances foı fun? New ways to help people? New changes in society? Or do you watch for the coming of him who meets us where we are and who directs us toward God's true purpose for us? We can't manipulate the coming of Christ's spirit, but we can "keep our lamps trimmed," prepared not simply for a future coming but for the coming that can occur now. Such watching is a thanksgiving to God for the faith transmitted to us by our forefathers—one of prepared, high expectation.

THE FUTURE IS BALANCED BY A BOOK

Today we are living in a golden age of unprecedented advance in science, technology and learning—or conversely, a forboding period presaging despair and gloom. The deciding factor is MAN! How will he decide? Where will he turn for guidance? The Christian turns most frequently to the Bible—the record of God's glorious deeds, for God alone has the power to transform man and his world. Thus, in a very real sense, the future is balanced by a Book, and the challenge confronting the churches and the Bible Societies is to distribute this Book to men everywhere in the language and form they can best read and understand.

To reach the goal of providing a copy of the Scriptures for every person in the world in his own language, the American Bible Society coordinates its efforts through the United Bible Societies, composed of 35 national Bible Societies working in 150 countries and on every continent. Last year 105,000,000 copies of the Scriptures were distributed in the United States and in Africa, Asia, Europe and Latin America. The goal for 1971 is 150,000,000 copies. The United Church of Christ, the United Presbyterian Church and the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) contribute about $200,000 annually to the American Bible Society.

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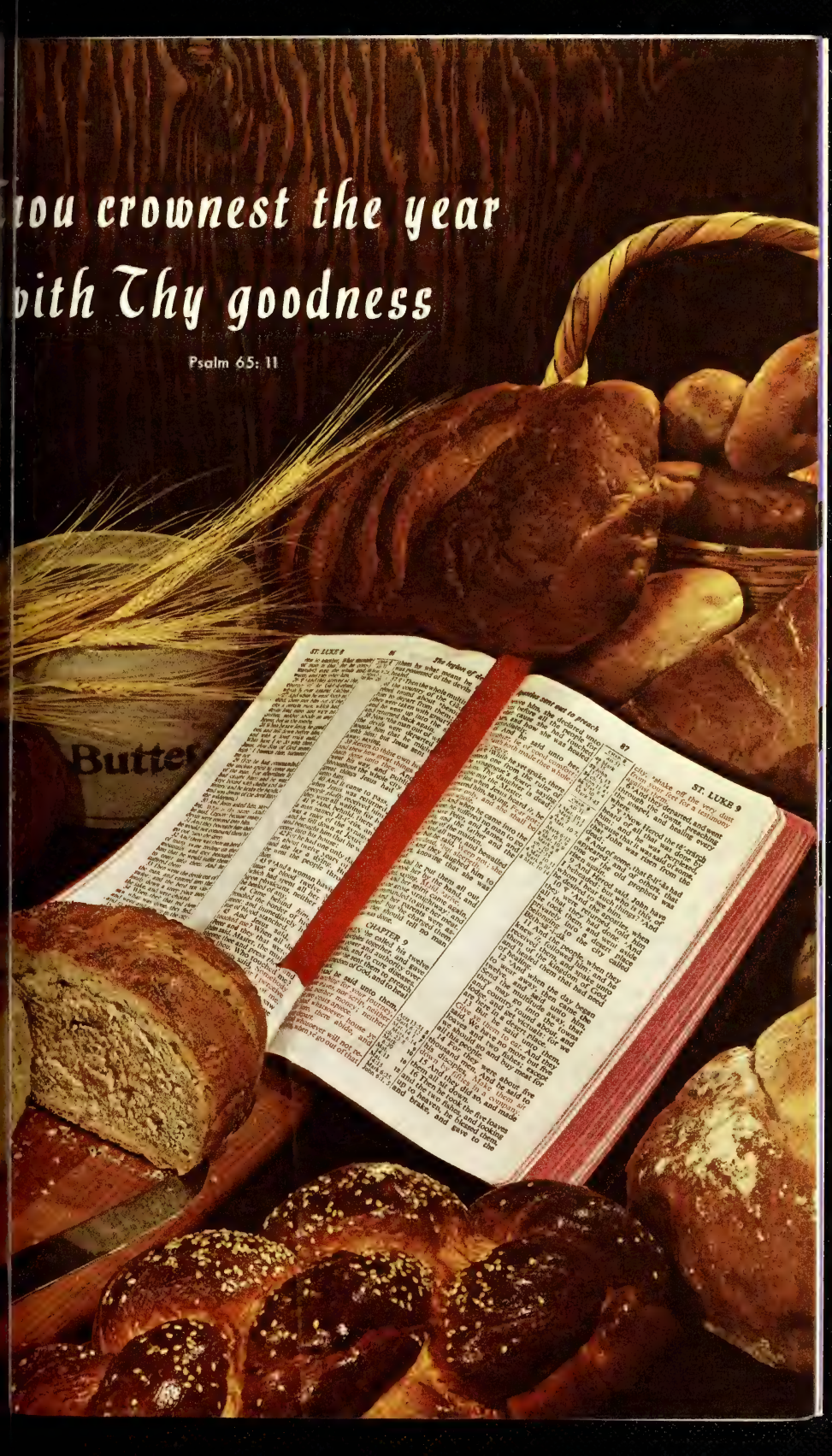
Thou crownest the year
with Thy goodness
Psalm 65: 11
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COMMUNITY WIDE THANKSGIVING SERVICE
First Baptist Church
Elon College, North Carolina
November 25, 1970, 7:30 P. M.

The Order of Worship

The Organ Prelude
The Call to Worship - - - - - - - - - - Rev. George Stowe
Minister: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good:
People: For His mercy endureth forever.
Minister: Oh that men would praise the Lord for His goodness,
People: And for His wonderful works to the children of men.
The Invocation (In unison)
Almighty God, Thou who hast guided our forefathers through the years, we praise Thee for all Thy most gracious benefits. We are mindful of Thy guiding han having led men of past generations from the wildernes of life into the land of abundance. We remember that these blessings of plenty came not alone in wheat, barley, olives and honey, but also in the spiritual benefits of love, mercy, kindness and peace. Grant us these same blessings in this day, through Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.
The Hymn: "We Gather Together" - - - - - - - - - - - 492
The Welcome and Announcements - - - Rev. W. T. Cockman
The Scripture: Psalm 103 - - - - Rev. Richard Petersen
The Responsive Reading - - - - - - Rev. Thomas Hamilton
Minister: It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord,

People: And to sing praises unto Thy name, O Most Hi

Minister: O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

People: Let us come before His presence with thanks-

giving, and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.

Minister: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

People: O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker.

Minister: Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.

People: Serve the Lord with gladness: come before His presence with singing.

Minister: Know ye that the Lord He is God: it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

People: Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His name.

Minister: For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations.

ilent Meditation and Thanksgiving Prayer - - - - - -
Rev. Lawrence Leonard
he Hymn: "For the Beauty of the Earth" - - - - - 153
he Offering and Prayer of Dedication
he Anthem: "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"
he Message: "One Hundred Per Cent Grateful" - - -
Dr. John Truitt
he Hymn: "Now Thank We All Our God" - - - - - - 491
he Benediction - - - - - - - - - - - Rev. W. T. Cockman
he Postlude

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he Offering

The undesignated offering will be divided between he Elon Home for Children and the Baptist Children's lomes.

The Churches

We are glad to have the following churches participating in our Community Thanksgiving Service: St. Mark's, Edgewood, Shallowford, Elon Community and Elon Baptist.

I AM THANKSGIVING

I am Thanksgiving.
I am more than a day; I am a state of mind.

I am felt in a handshake,
heard in a song,
seen in an eye.
I take the commonplace and make it something more.

I linger in the warmth of early morning sun or by the moody waters serene or restless before a storm.

I sharpen the smells and sound of supper, the wealth of family at the close of a long, well-used day.

I gather life close like a friend
and display my pleasure at its presence.
Its tapestry of experiences
under my heart-held gaze
takes on new purpose and meaning.

I am Thanksgiving.
I am the pulse beat
That leads men to good and God.

I hold back the cynic mark,
the doubts of bitterness,
the cruelty of deep regret.
I am Thanksgiving:
a strength that will not yield to lesser
thoughts and deeds.

- From "I Am . . ."
by Neil Wyrick, Jr.

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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
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November 29, 1970 First Sunday in Advent 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Veni, Creator Van Hulse

CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. W. W. Sloan

Minister: Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. Lift up your eyes round about, and see.

People: Open to me the gates of righteousness: I will enter to praise the Lord.

Choir: Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

INVOCATION and THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 110 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 9:2-7

* Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 3:1-8

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

The Choral Response Twofold Amen

ANTHEM Come, O Thou God of Grace V. Ford

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 227 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

THE OFFERING

Offertory Aria Peeters

* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON The Greatest Promise Mr. Hamilton

*HYMN 114 "Lift Up Your Heads"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response — Sevenfold Amen

POSTLUDE — Passacaglia — Young

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*Congregation will stand

HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by the Cunningham Family in memory of Dr. H. H. Cunningham.

ODAY: We are delighted to have Dr. W. W. Sloan, Elon College Professor of Bible, as our liturgist of the morning.....The banner in the chancel is an enlargement of our morning bulletin cover. It is used as a worship center and was made for us by our Women's Fellowship.....The enclosed leaflet is descriptive of the fine work done for us at the Elon Home For Children.

OUPLES in their "Twenties" will meet Friday evening at 8:00 o'clock with Mr. and Mrs. George Troxler. Couples may meet at the church at 7:50 p.m.

HE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. George D. Colclough upon the death of his brother, Connie Colclough of Durham.

UR SERVICE OF WORSHIP today is being broadcast over radio station WBBB, courtesy of the J. B. Long Discount Store.

EDGED: $21,298.00 toward a Current goal of $29,438.20; $5,369.80 toward a Benevolent goal of $5,812.50; $4,955.40 toward a Building Fund goal of $10,000.00.

OSPITALIZED: Mrs. J. A. Hunter at Memorial Hospital, Burlington and Mrs. R. S. Shomaker at Cone Hospital, Greensboro.

HE CHRISTMAS FAMILY WORKSHOP is next Sunday evening, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT **November 29, 197**

John 3:1-1

The Advent Season is the annual pilgrimage to Bethlehem for the wor ship of the Chist Child. But the present day Christmas event towar which Advent points is so mixed up with popular rites which have thei origin in pagen festivals that the road to Bethlehem is often the way t bedlam. St. Mary of Bethlehem was founded in London in 1247 as th first hospital in England. Later it became the first hospital for the insane a place of noise and confusion. The original name was corrupted t "Bedlam."

Our annual pilgrimage to Bethlehem then should begin with thanks giving for the Good News that God entered human life to reveal Hi truth and love in the person of Jesus Christ. When life is organized wit him at the center, there is hope for men individually and for society. Whe we organize life and society apart from God, we exchange Bethlehem fo Bedlam. Apart from the hope which Christmas proclaims, we live i darkness, with no Star shining and without any Good News of Great Joy

—*Rev. William G. Rusch*

Pennsylvania Synod Executive
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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
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George Cannon, Choral Director
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

December 6, 1970 Second Sunday in Advent 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Pastorale from "The Childhood of Christ"
J. C. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people.

People: But the Glory of the Lord shall be seen upon us.

Pastor: Glory to God in the highest,

People: And on earth peace, good will toward men.

Choir: Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

INVOCATION and THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 110 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Jeremiah 33:14-16

* Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 12:15-21

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

The Choral Response Father, Hear Our Prayer

ANTHEM Come, Christian, Join to Sing C. F. Mueller

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 122 "God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen"

THE OFFERING

Offertory "The Divine Infant is Born" Ancient Carol

* Cong. Response "We Give Thee but Thine Own"

* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON He Shall Proclaim Justice

HYMN 202 "Jesus Shall Reign"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Thou Wilt Keep Him...

POSTLUDE Plains, Woods, Trees, Bushes Rejoice
Ancient Carol

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*Congregation will stand

CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we greet the Civinettes of Western High School who are with us as a group.

HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mrs. Lois Bost in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McAdams.

ODAY:

4:00	Handel's "Messiah" at Whitley Auditorium
5:30	Family Night Christmas Workshop in the Parish House
7:30	Board of Deacons
7:30	Choir Rehearsal

HE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Roland Longest upon the death of his brother, E. C. Longest of Fayetteville.

BIBLE SEMINAR will be held Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dawson.

N ORIENTATION CLASS for new members will be held next Sunday morning during the church school hour. Invitation is open

BRIEF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING for the purpose of electing Boards, Committees, and Officers for 1971 will follow our worship next Sunday.

SHERS of the month are D. D. Atkinson, Walter Boyd, Graham Cheek, Mark Danieley, and Ned Danieley.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT **December 6, 1970**

Matthew 12:9-21

Health and Welfare Sunday

Advent is here! He comes to you
In him who is God's "sun of righteousness."
His justice is no balancing of cold, judicial scales;
It is a justice that brings healing to a withered human life—
That judges all our devastating inhumanity to men
And comes now to "make right" the nations of the world.
With strong and tender hand he comes to touch your life with hope—
A hope that calls us all to implement the victory of his justice.

THE MUSIC OF CHRISTMAS

At Christmas, the music of the carols lifts hearts and minds and spirits. The words of wonder bring back memories of past Christmases and the holy days that brought families together in homes and churches. Among those with special memories at this season are the retired ministers of our fellowship and their wives. They served long and faithfully in their active years. Now they are often less physically active, but their thoughts are still filled with the action and excitement of their past years of service.

Nearly one thousand of these "senior servants" have special needs that are met in part by the Christmas checks sent to them by the Pension Boards. These gifts are made possible by the annual Christmas Fund appeal. With them goes a written remembrance to bring greetings from the whole church. Many ministers and their families now serving in our churches will also be helped by the Christmas Fund in the year ahead, should they become victims of unforeseen illness, accident or disability and not have the necessary resources. The Christmas Fund makes possible emergency grants to these ministers and their families. Those you help with your gifts to the Christmas Fund hear in a special way the marvelous music of Christmas.

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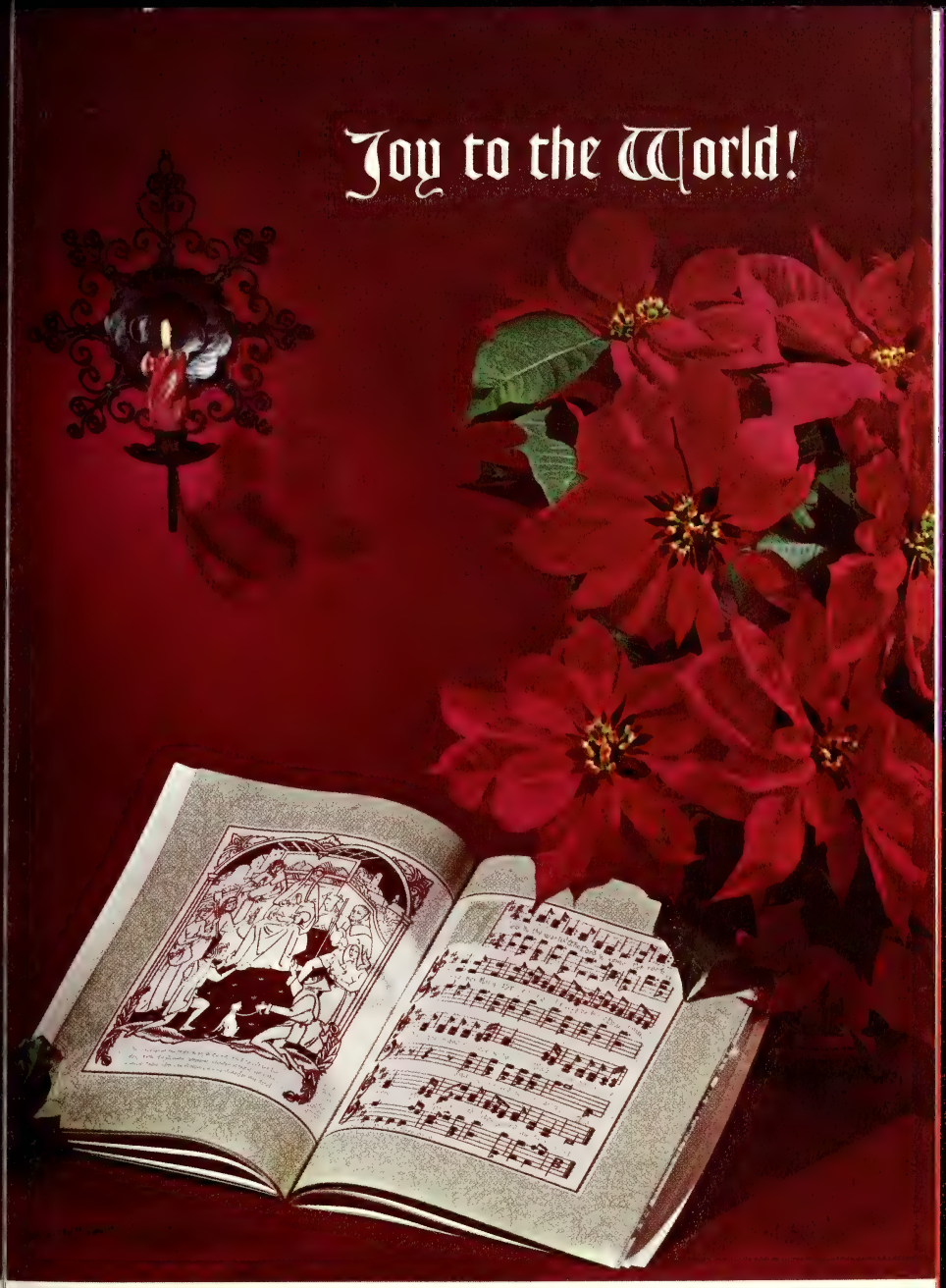

THE CHRISTMAS ORATORIO

CANTATA II

by

J. S. BACH

Elon College
Community Church

December 13, 1970
4:00 P.M.

Prelude Andante Cantibile J. S. Bach

The Cantata

Pastoral Symphony

Recitative: And she brought forth her first-born Son

Chorale and Recitative: For us to earth He cometh poor

Chorale: Ah dearest Jesus, Holy Child

Recitative: And there were shepherds abiding in the field

Chorale: Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light

Recitative: And the Angel said to them

Recitative: What God to Abraham revealed

Aria: Haste ye shepherds to meet Him

Recitative: And this shall be a sign to you

Chorale: Within yon gloomy manger lies

Recitative: O haste ye then, ye shepherds go

Aria: Slumber, Beloved, enjoy thy sweet rest

Recitative: And suddenly there was with the Angel

Chorus: Glory to God

Recitative: 'Tis right that Angels thus should sing

Chorale: With all Thy hosts, O Lord we sing

Benediction Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor

Postlude Psalm 19 "The Heavens Declare" B. Marcello
John Park, Trumpet

CHOIR

George D. Cannon, Director

Maurine Gminder, Soprano
Joyce Ford, Mezzo-Soprano
Albert Gminder, Tenor
Robert Gwaltney, Bass

Sopranos

Emily Alexander
Lois Bost
Terrell Cofield
Ruth Dunn
Sara Everette
Maurine Gminder
Sylvia Langston
Anna Rose Marino
Betty Moffett
Linda Register
Carole Troxler
Beth Wilkins

Altos

Susan Brown
Joyce Ford
Melva Foster
Jane Updyke
Penny Updyke
Janet Winstead
Jo Ann Artley

Tenors

Wesley Alexander
Dan Barber
Paul Cheek
Albert Gminder
John Park

Basses

David Bragg
James Brown
Robert Gwaltney
Jim Fogle
Thomas Hamilton
Don Mannon
Worden Updyke
Louis Wilkins

The congregation is asked to remain in the pews during the Postlude until the choir has recessed.

ORCHESTRA

FIRST VIOLIN

Steve Harper

Carole Walker

SECOND VIOLIN

Susan Abernethy

Mike Deason

OBOE

Connie Chaney

VIOLA

M. N. Artley

CELLO

Scott Walker

FLUTE

Lynn Grubbs

Susan Pell

ENGLISH HORN

Kenneth A. Cranford

Harpsichord

C. Fletcher Moore

Organ

Mary Alice Bragg

We welcome friends from the church and community to this musical celebration. You are greeted at the door by Deacons D. D. Atkinson, J. Earl Danieley, Howard Edgerton, and D. Marsh McLelland.

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GO AND TELL

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December 13, 1970 Third Sunday in Advent 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE From Whence Comes This Band of Angels
Nevins

CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. Hurst

Minister: Lift up your voice with strength; lift it up, fear not.
People: Say to the cities, "Behold your God".
Minister: Glory to God in the highest,
People: And on earth peace, good will toward men.
Choir: Break forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light

INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 117 "Angels From the Realms"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 40:1-5

* Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS Matthew 3:1-6; 11:2-1

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
The Statement of Faith

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Threefold Amen

ANTHEM Junior Choir
Mrs. Cynthia Coker, Director

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 125 "Good Christian Men, Rejoice"

THE OFFERING
Offertory At Midnight Is a Celestial Music
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee but Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Jesus said "Go and Tell"; Mr. Hamilton
John said "Go and Tell".

*HYMN 134 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

*BENEDICTION

* Choral Response May the Grace of Christ Our Savior

*POSTLUDE Shepherds, Leave Your Pastures
Ancient Carol

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*Congregation will stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Loy in memory of Janet Loy Faulkner.

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT of Holy Baptism today are Ruben Stuart Moffett, son of Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Moffett and Michelle Lee Hutchins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erle Hutchins.

TODAY: At four o'clock the Adult Choir will present the Second Cantata of J. S. Bach's Christmas Oratorio.....We are delighted to have as our Liturgist of the morning Dr. Alfred Hurst, Campus Minister of Elon College.....The Senior High Youth meet this evening from 6:30 until 8:00 in the Youth Room.....The Worship Committee meets at 7:00 this evening in the Hunter Room.....A brief congregational meeting is held today for the purpose of electing officers, Boards, and committees of our church.....The banner in the chancel is an enlargement of our bulletin cover. It is used as a worship center and was made for us by our Women's Fellowship.

HOSPITALIZED Mrs. W. W. Sloan is a surgical patient at Memorial Hospital.

THE GENERAL MEETING of the Women's Fellowship is tomorrow evening at 7:30.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT **December 13, 197**

Matthew 11:2-1

Advent is here! He comes to you,
Not with the unconvincing verbiage of some cheap and easy talk
But with the deeds that penetrate and heal our crippling, human hurts
He is no abstract principle; no lofty, timeless ideal.
He is that one in whom God's always timely love embraces now our need
His is the concrete life, true to the end, that loved men "all the way."
How "go and tell" such news? With words alone? Oh no!
With lives that tell convincingly that he who brings new life is here

"R AND D" IN THE CHURCH

Every self-respecting corporation today has a "Research and Development" section—a group of planners and researchers whose job it is to project the future and plan the company's part in it. "R and D" in the church, however, is seldom performed by a single denomination operating alone. Cooperation is the word, and in this case, the important word is: "The Commons."

The Commons is a research and strategy development center not only for the church but also for other voluntary organizations—the independent sector—concerned with major social issues and public policy. The Commons is not a lobby nor a sponsor of action groups but rather, an institute intending to increase the capacity of the participating groups—including our own United Church Board for Homeland Ministries—to advocate changes in public policy by providing analysis and interpretation of major issues and by suggesting ways of dealing with them. The Commons has been emphasizing four key areas: the role of voluntary associations in American public life, economic development for political independence, the need to combat institutionalized racism and prospects in the urban situation.

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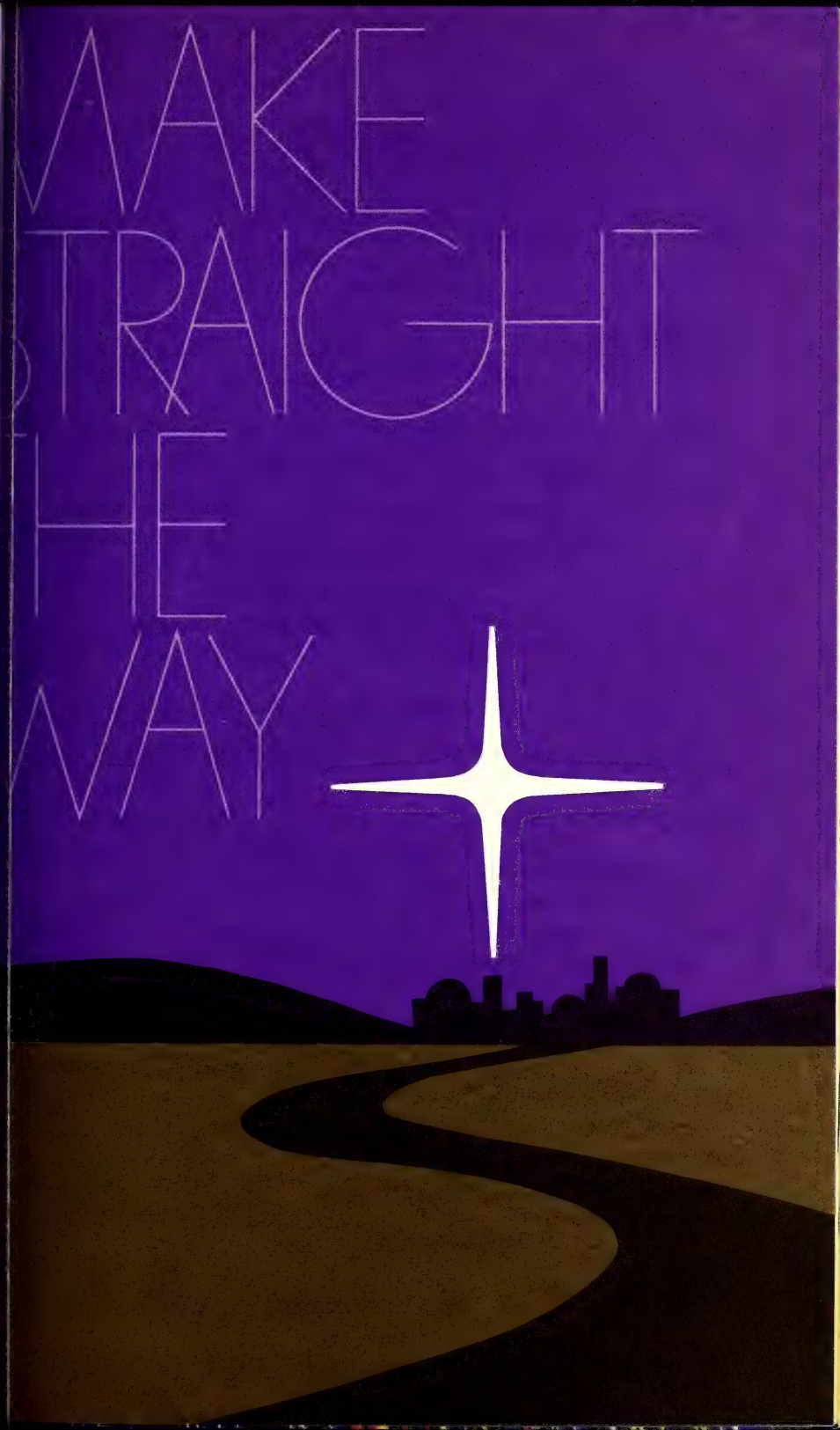
MAKE STRAIGHT THE WAY



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December 20, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Christmas, The Loved Mary Nevins

CALL TO WORSHIP
Pastor: Behold, I have good news for you which will bring great joy to all people.
People: For unto us is born this day a Savior who is Christ the Lord.
Choir: King of Kings yet Born of Mary
INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 132 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Micah 4:1-5
* Gloria Patri
NEW TESTAMENT READING John 1:6-17,21-23

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS
The Statement of Faith
SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response
ANTHEM While By My Sheep Jungst

CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 120 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"
THE OFFERING
Offertory We are in the Town Ancient Carol
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee but Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Make Straight the Way

HYMN 130 "Joy to the World"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Father, Give Thy Benediction

POSTLUDE Joy to the World Right

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*Congregation will stand

CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we greet our visitors, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex.

HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by the Willard White Family in memory of Mrs. White's parents and brother, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hollifield, and S/Sgt. J. C. Toney, and Mr. White's father, Mr. Luther J. White.

ECEIVED AS NEW MEMBERS are Mr. and Mrs. Ken Harper, Mr. and Mrs. Erle Hutchins and Michelle Hutchins, Mr. and Mrs. James Langston, Mr. Stuart Oldson, and Dr. Theo Strum.

ODAY

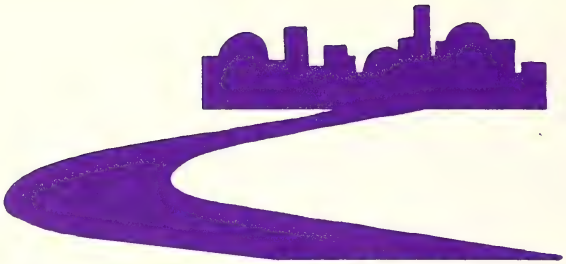
6:30 Senior High Youth
7:00 Finance Committee
7:00 Board of Ushers

HE BANNER in the Chancel is an enlargement of our bulletin cover. It is used as a worship center and was made for us by our Women's Fellowship.

CHRISTMAS TREE SING will be held Tuesday evening at 7:30 on the Green across the tracks from the post office. The whole community is invited.

HE CHRISTMAS EVE Candlelight and Carol Service will begin Thursday evening at 7:30.

OLLEGE STUDENTS are invited to the parsonage next Sunday evening at eight o'clock.



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT **December 20, 1970**

John 1:19-28

Advent is here! He comes to you,
Not by devious paths that detour his integrity
And compromise the "Christly" goal of his coming.
No, he comes fulfilling the expectation of the Christ—
God's "anointed one," who travels the straight way
Direct into the life of a detoured world
To redirect it through the power of his restoring love.
He comes now still with grace and truth to straighten all our ways!

A NEW DAY AND A NEW WAY IN TURKEY

A local Gaziantep industrialist, one of several prominent citizens invited to a meeting of the Azariah Smith Memorial Hospital Medical Council, pointed out the continued and increasing use of the hospital as reflected in the annual statistics. This, he said, was despite the completion of two large government hospitals nearby. Another remarked that the hospital is an old and honored institution with deep roots, not only in the city, but also in the surrounding countryside. One, an important local political figure, noted that the community-at-large could be counted upon to support a sizeable portion of the hospital's physical improvement and that this support would doubtless continue to undergird the hospital's work in the future.

This participation of important community figures in the life of a mission-founded hospital in the Near East is unusual, indeed almost unprecedented. It represents a new day and a new way in Turkey. And it reflects the continuing purpose of our United Church Board for World Ministries in the Near East to work with community leaders, exchanging convictions and skills, sharing professional and community responsibilities, and exploring intellectual and social issues. A new day and a new way.

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THE
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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
Elon College, North Carolina
Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
December 24, 1970 - 7:30 P.M.

PRELUDE Come, Savior of the Gentiles J. S. Bach

*PROCESSIONAL CAROL 132 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given;

People: And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

Unison: Our God and Father, we come to Thee rejoicing in the gift of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, to the world. We thank Thee for the Christmas Season and for all its joys. Bless us, as in our worship we travel again to the Manger in Bethlehem, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Promise of the Light of the World

CAROL 110 "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

HIS COMING FORETOLD Isaiah 9:2-7

ANTHEM Drummer Boy Junior Choir

The Preparation for His Coming

THE ANNUCIATION Luke 1:26-33

THE MAGNIFICAT

Pastor: "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

People: For He has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden.

Pastor: For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed:

People: For He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name.

Pastor: And His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation.

People: He has shown strength with His arm. He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

Pastor: He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted those of low degree.

People: He has filled the hungry with good things and the rich He has sent empty away.

Pastor: He has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy.

People: As He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to His posterity forever."

CAROL 134 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

The Coming of the Christ Child

THE PROMISE FULFILLED Luke 2:1-17

PANTOMIME CAROL 488 "Go, Tell It..." (St. 1,3)
(Nancy Boyd, Esther Gminder, Joseph Gminder, Joy Hamilton)

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Anthem On This Day Earth Shall Ring Holst

CHRISTMAS MEDITATION Upon a Manger

The Service of Lights

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE CANDLES

(Candles and drip-protectors for each pew are in boxes near the center aisle. Please take one of each and pass the box toward the other end of the pew. The candles will be lighted by the ushers as the organist plays the following carol. They may be extinguished following the Unison Prayer.

CAROL 138 "Silent Night"

PRAYER FOR CHRISTMAS (In Unison)

O God, who hast made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light, may the Star of Christmas shine more radiantly now than ever before with the Light of Peace on Earth. Amen.

BENEDICTION

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST BULLETIN

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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina

Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone: 584-9294
Mrs. A. B. Gminder, Guest Choral Director
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

December 27, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Gloria J. Redford

CALL TO WORSHIP I John 4:9,10

Pastor: "This is how God showed his love for us:
People: He sent his only Son into the world that we might have life through him.
Pastor: This is what love is:
People: it is not that we have loved God, but that he loved us..."
Choir: Glory To God

INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 119 "As With Gladness Men of Old"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 8
* Gloria Patri
NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 2:1-15

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Twofold Amen
ANTHEM For You Shall Go Out In Joy Newbury

CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 129 "It Came Upon The Midnight Clear"
THE OFFERING
Offertory Two Parts on a Rownd Time T. Tallis
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee but Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication
SERMON Herod The Last

MN 141 "The First Nowell"

NEDICTION
Choral Response Threefold Amen
STLUDE Agincourt J. Dunstable

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*Congregation will stand

ORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we greet our visitors, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mrs. W. C. McCardell, Mrs. Charles Russell, and J. O. Atkinson, Jr., in memory of Dr. and Mrs. J. O. Atkinson and Mrs. R. T. Brafford.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH are not scheduled to meet this evening.

LEGE STUDENTS are invited to the parsonage this evening at eight o'clock for an informal fellowship and refreshments.

ICLES for The Torch are due in the Secretary's office by tomorrow morning.

SACRAMENT of Holy Communion will be celebrated next Sunday, the first Sunday in the new year.

IES of the Daily Devotional Guide for January-February are available on the Literature Table in the Narthex.

NKS to the many members and friends who have assisted with the seasonal decorations of wreaths, banners, and poinsettia.

SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

December 27, 197

Luke 2:25-3

What has Christmas meant to you? Something soft and tender and warm The Christ-child does evoke such adjectives, for his coming embodie all the love and compassion of God. But this child also confronts us wit a hard decision: Shall we make the gift of that love and compassio the center of our lives? Or shall we give our first allegiance to our ow individual or corporate powers of achievement, with Christmas only pious fringe? Our lives will fall or rise on our answer to "this child, for in him God shows to us his true health for us all.

CHRISTMAS IN MORIOKA

Last year, a group of young people in Morioka, Japan, decide that their churches should sponsor a program to share the real meanin of Christmas with the predominantly non-Christian people of Morioka They did not really know what they were getting into, reports Unite Church Board for World Ministries missionary Richard Lammers. Bu their interest and vigor aroused pastors and laymen in Morioka an gave the churches there the courage to sponsor such a program.

Hearing of the youths' vision the churchwomen decided to dive their energies from less-meaningful activities to strengthen the yout efforts. About 200 posters were placed around the city; 10,000 leafle were passed out. On December 15th, about 300 people heard the Chris mas message in song, Bible readings, and a sermon by a young pasto Many went caroling with the choir which the youth had organized for th candlelight service. The churches in Morioka discovered through th "first-time event" new insights for reaching into the world. Naturall enough, our Morioka Christian brothers plan an even more extensiv program this year.

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January 3, 1970 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Jesu, The Father's Only Son Van Hulse

CALL TO WORSHIP

Choral Introit Gracious God, I come before thee, Come thou also unto me; Where we find thee and adore thee, There a heaven on earth must be. To my heart O enter thou, Let it be thy temple now.

*HYMN 251 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

*UNISON PRAYER

Almighty God, we would give thanks for all thy benefits bestowed upon us in the past year. Grant us, we pray a favorable and joyful year, defend us from all danger, and send us the fullness of thy blessing; through Jesus Christ, thy Son and our Lord. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 11:37-41

* Gloria Patri

THE PASTORAL PRAYER with Choral Amen Twofold Amen

Pastor: The Lord be with you
People: And with thy spirit
Pastor: Let us pray:

MEDITATION Meeting 1971 Sincerely

THE OFFERING

Offertory- From Heaven Above to Earth I Come-Bach
Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
Prayer of Dedication

ANTHEM Our God, Our Help W. Croft

THE SERVICE OF COMMUNION

The invitation of Christ
Communion Collect
General Confession (in unison) Hymnal, P. 495
Assurance of Pardon
Words of Institution
Distribution of the Elements
Thanksgiving

HYMN 97 "God of Our Life"

THE PLEDGE OF DEDICATION (in unison)

We pledge ourselves
To follow through the coming year
The light which God gives us;
The light of Truth,
The light of Freedom
The light of Faith,
The light of Love,
Guided by this light,
We shall go forward to the work of another year
with steadfastness and confidence.

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Threefold Amen

POSTLUDE Fugue in G Minor Bach

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*Congregation will stand

HE HOLY COMMUNION is served today to all confirmed members of Christ's Church. We celebrate "open communion", inviting all professing Christians to join us in this Sacrament of Faith.

LTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by the W. E. Price Family in memory of Mrs. Price's father, Mr. Claude Bryant.

ERVICE OF INSTALLATION for all newly-elected members of committees and Boards of our church will be held next Sunday morning.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

January 3, 197

Matthew 2:1-1

The Christmas season is still with us. It ends on January 6, the 12t day of Christmas, with the celebration of Epiphany—the "revelation" to the Wise Men as representatives of the Gentile world. A Christia of Jewish background, Matthew, taps his Jewish heritage for the symbo of "a star . . . out of Jacob," "a light to the nations," to interpret th meaning of Jesus for the whole world. The star symbolizes him whos radiant life is "the light of the world," a life that reveals God's unbounde love for all and leads us to "exceedingly . . . great joy."

WHY MISSION IN JAPAN?

Writing from Tokyo, Dr. Philip E. Williams, a missionary of th United Church Board for World Ministries, puts the question: "Why kee the 'foreign mission' thing going here in Japan, the first '21st centur country'?" The answer, he says, is that few places want and need th Christian message so much at this precise time. The church in Japa is really just starting, with less than 1% of the population directly relate to the church. There never was a people more like the ancient Athe nians, wanting to hear more of this "new thing" that speaks of abundan life in the midst of super-secularized society. "When we meet mission aries from other lands we are impressed with the incredible variety o work facing us in the Christian world mission from country to country," writes Dr. Williams. "Africa needs medical workers, India needs engi neers and well diggers, Latin America needs Protestants from abroad t carry the preaching ministry in the young churches . . . The problem is t meet the masses who have never heard the Word. Japanese church lead ers are clear in their call to Christian teachers to help meet the challeng presented by the church-related schools. Japanese are asking for the Wa and the Truth and the Life and they know that economic prosperity isn' the answer, but rather a part of the problem. A case could be made tha in responding to the open door of opportunity, we ought to do more tha ever to meet these needs."

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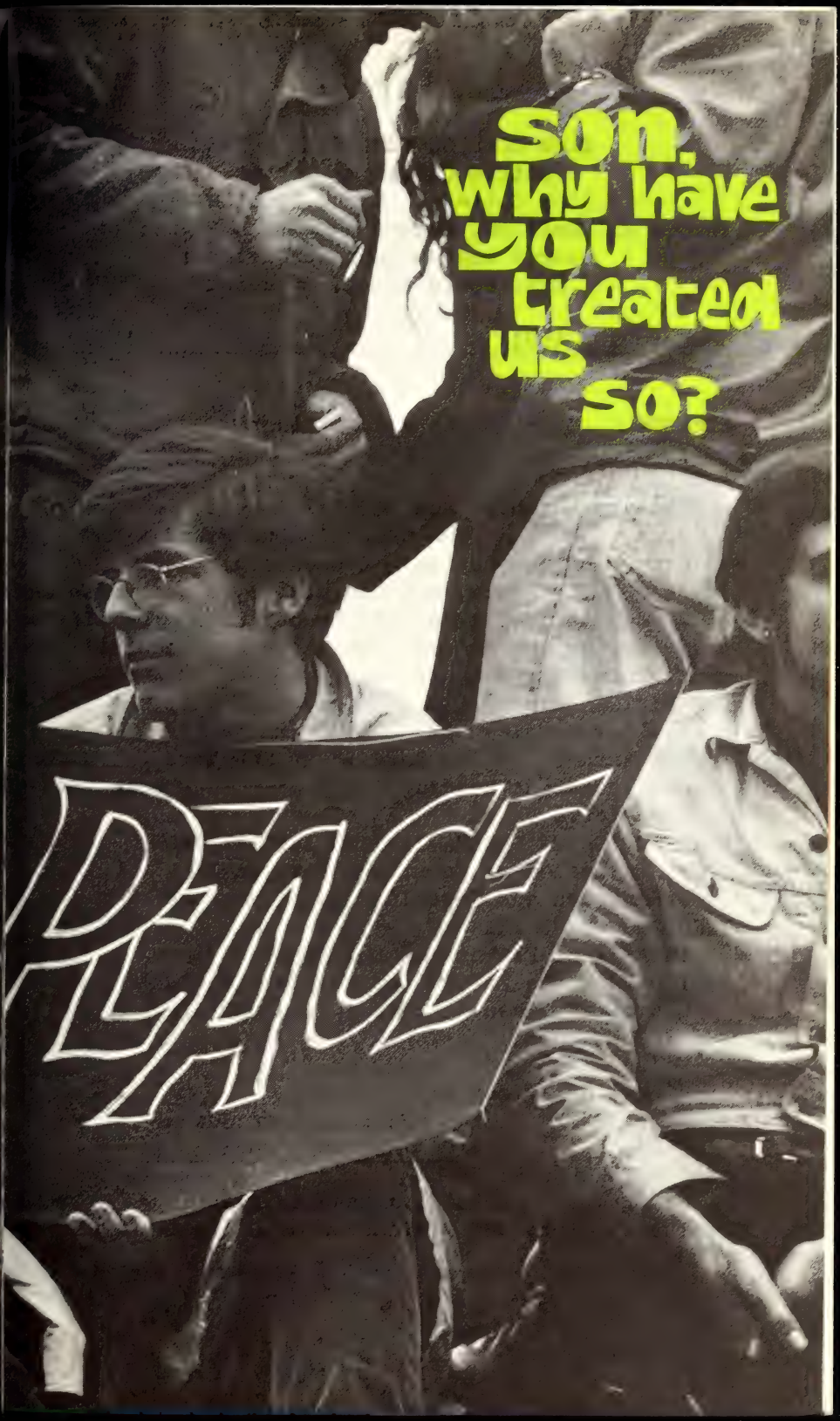
son, why have you treated us so?
PEACE

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
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January 10, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Sonata in D Minor Vivaldi

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship and Choral Introit
* Hymn 260 "The Church's One Foundation"
* Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
O God of love, who teaches us in quietness and confidence, thou wilt be our strength; lift us now to thy presence where we may be still and know that thou art God. Amen.

THE LIVING WORD
Psalter Reading 62 Psalm 1 P. 515
The Anthem The Lord is My Shepherd N. Cain
New Testament Reading Luke 2:41-52
* The Gloria Patri

THE SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION
Installation of Committee Personnel
Ordination and Installation of Deacons

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response "Hear Thou Our Prayer"

THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Ritual of Friendship
* Hymn 227 "Fairest Lord Jesus"
Sermon The One and Only Boyhood Story

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Behold, a Rose is Blooming Brahms
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 152 "We Would See Jesus"

Benediction and Response Twofold Amen

Postlude Antiphon I Young

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HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr, and Mrs. Louis Wilkins in memory of his father, Mr. C. S. Wilkins.

ODAY we install the officers, Board-members and committee-members elected to leadership roles by this congregation. Miss Caroline Powell is also ordained to the office of Deacon.

HE SENIOR HIGH YOUTH meet this evening at 6:30.

HE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION meets Tuesday evening at seven o'clock in the Hunter Room.

HE ANNUAL MEETING of the congregation is January 24 at 7:30 P.M. Annual reports from every organization are due today in order that they can be mimeographed for distribution at the Annual Meeting. All standing committees are asked to meet the same evening at 7:00.

RTICLES for The Torch are due in the Secretary's office by Tuesday morning.

OSPITALIZED Mrs. Stella Huffine is a surgical patient at Cone Hospital, Greensboro.

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS **January 10, 1971**

Luke 2:41-52

A generation gap: in Luke's witness it occurred in Jesus' relationship with his parents. But it was not a gap that arose out of rebellion against them but out of commitment to his Father's purpose: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace"—peace not as the absence of conflict but as the *shalom,* the health and wholeness of all human life. Such commitment will challenge the harmony of a family that is turned in upon itself. Yet how different is a generation gap that happens "for the hell of it" from one that happens "for the heaven of it"—for the purpose of bringing God's peace!

COMMITTEE ON ECUMENICAL FELLOWS AND THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION

In 1969 two agencies merged their efforts to aid outstanding persons who are recommended by overseas churches, particularly those of the "third world," for Christian leadership in their homelands through graduate study abroad under ecumenical and interboard auspices. The merged agency, known as the Committee on Ecumenical Fellows and Theological Education (EFTE), is related to the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U. S. A. through its Division of Overseas Ministries.

A special need which the Committee met in 1969 was for emergency assistance to students from Nigeria/Biafra who were cut off from funds from home as a result of war. Assistance was granted to 69 such students studying at 42 institutions through funds made available by the United Methodist Church, The Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. and Church World Service of the National Council of Churches.

Basic to the functioning of EFTE is the cooperation of seminaries in the United States. The seminaries provide full tuition, room and board and cash grants to cover personal expenses. Thus, by our support of seminaries, as well as by our giving to Church World Service and the National Council of Churches of Christ, we share in the preparation of church leaders around the world. Every gift to *Our Christian World Mission* helps.

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January 17, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE My Faithful Heart Rejoices J. Brahms

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship and Choral Introit
* Processional 6 "O Worship the King"
* Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Almighty God, our Father, we come into thy presence remembering thy promise that in all places where thy name is heard, thou wilt meet with thy people and bless them. We would claim that promise now as we worship thee in the spirit of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

THE LIVING WORD
Psalter Reading 64 Psalm 8 P. 515
The Anthem Behold and See Martini
New Testament Reading Matthew 3:1-6,13-17
* The Gloria Patri

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Twofold Amen

THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Ritual of Friendship
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 371 "He Who Would Valiant Be"
Sermon A Birthday Celebration

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Menuett C. P. E. Bach
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

OING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 232 "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"
Benediction and Response Thou Wilt Keep Him
Postlude Allegro J. S. Bach

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DAY 6:30 Senior High Youth
7:00 Board of Ushers and Acolytes

E ANNUAL MEETING of the congregation is January 24 at 7:30 P.M. Annual reports from every organization are due in order that they can be mimeographed for distribution at the Annual Meeting. All standing committees are asked to meet the same evening at 7:00.

E CHURCHMEN'S FELLOWSHIP of the Burlington area will meet Thursday evening at seven o'clock at the American Legion Hut in Mebane. Reservations may be placed through our church office by Tuesday noon.

E FRIENDLY SERVICE COMMITTEE of the Women's Fellowship asks members and friends to assist in the immediate need of providing clothing to persons in need. All types of good used clothing are needed now. The clothing may be deposited in the Parish House until February 1.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS **January 17, 197**

Mark 1:1-1

What does your baptism mean to you? Mark's Gospel relates the words "Thou art my beloved Son" to Jesus' baptism. They declare that God's spirit is at work in Jesus, for the Son expresses the active purpose o the Father. The Old Testament can call Israel "the Son," a people calle to declare God's liberating purpose. For New Testament writers, tha purpose finds fulfillment in Jesus as "the Son." For us to be baptize "in the name of the Son" means that now we are sons, those "anointed" to do the Father's liberating work in the power of his Spirit.

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

The National Council of Churches of Christ in the U. S. A. is the co operative expression of responsible church bodies bound together by thei common faith in Jesus Christ as Lord.

It acts through representatives who are appointed by member churc bodies and who serve on its boards, commissions and committees.

It is an expression of Christian cooperation in mission. It is the unite effort of men and women of good will facing together the tremendousl involved issues of our turbulent times. It is an attempt to make the voic of a major section of the Christian community heard in the midst o "tumult and war."

It is global in its concern, compassionate in its service and action open and honest in its attitude, subject to the tensions and pressures o the times by seeking the welfare of mankind and by helping to fulfill th purposes of God in human history.

—*Rev. Ira A. Paternoster*
Executive Secretary, Resources and Interpretatio
The United Christian Missionary Society

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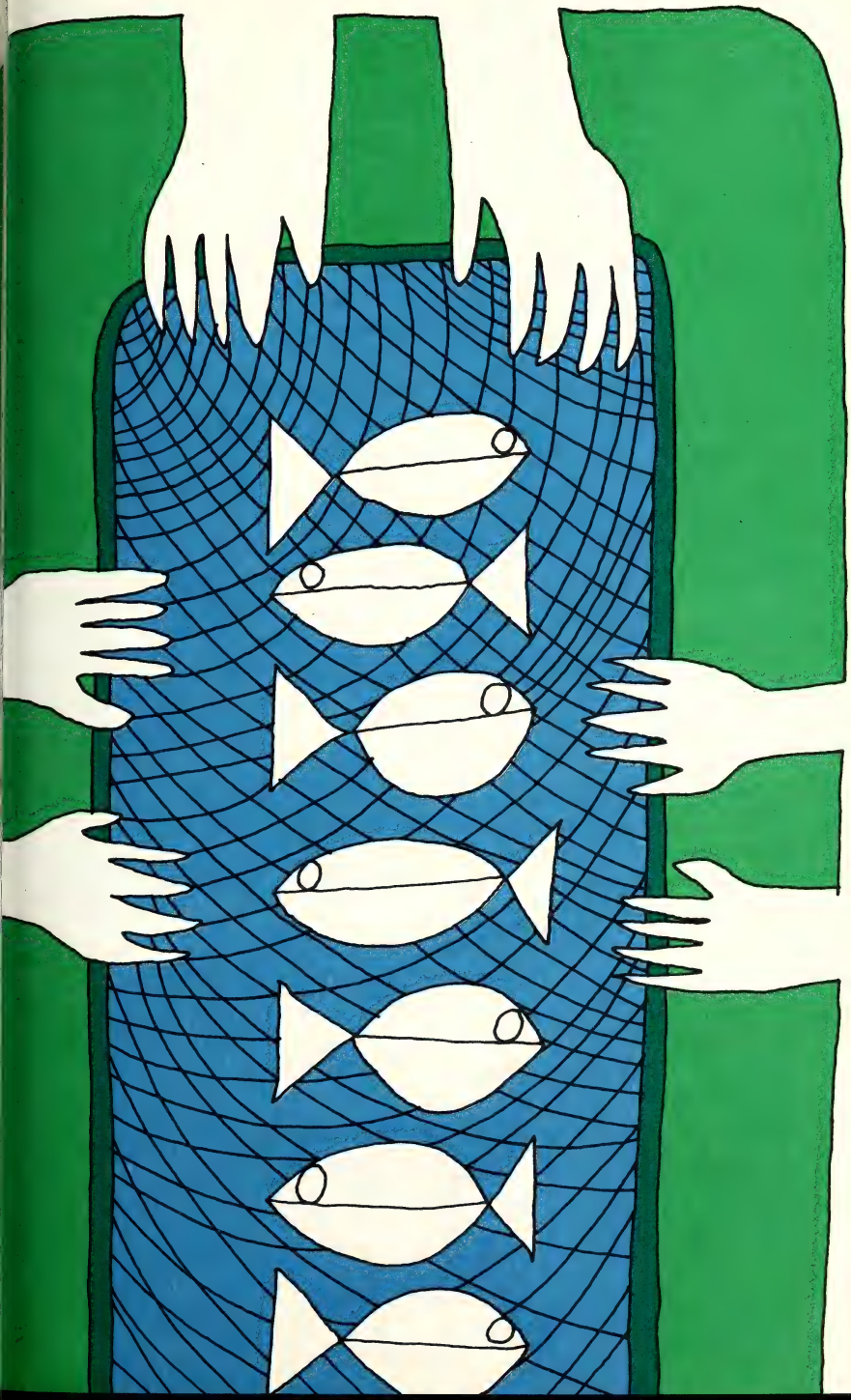

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PRELUDE The Old Year Now Has Passed Bach
Thou Art My Hope Bestal

PRAISE TO GOD

Call to Worship and Choral Introit

* Processional 8 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

* Prayer of Invocation (in unison)

God, our Father, we come now expecting to experience thy presence and thy grace upon us. Give us, we pray, quiet minds and reverent hearts that we may worthily worship thee in the spirit of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

THE LIVING WORD

Psalter Reading 67 Psalm 16 P. 517

The Anthem With a Voice of Singing Shaw

New Testament Reading Matthew 25:14-29

* The Gloria Patri

THE WORD OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

Choral Response "Almighty Father, Hear Our Prayer"

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Lord God, We All Give Praise Pachelbel

* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

THE SPOKEN WORD

Welcome

Ritual of Friendship

Children's Sermon

* Hymn 402 "Jesus, Where'er Thy People Meet"

Sermon The Way Things Look

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 411 "Lord God of Hosts"

Benediction

Choral Response Father, Give Thy Benediction

Postlude Lift Up Your Heads Bingham

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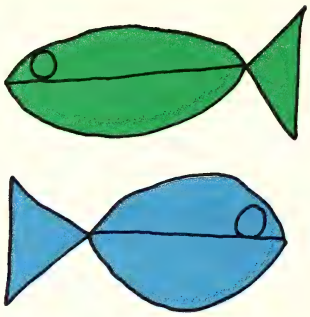

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS **January 24, 1971**

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity **Luke 5:1-11**

Let's go fishing! The portrayal of Jesus' call to Simon to go fishing quite obviously mirrors Luke's burning concern for Christian outreach. But for him this is no simple task for an isolated individual or a segregated community. Understanding the boat as an early symbol for the church, we may see reflected in the words "they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them" the need for joint action in an overwhelming task. Today also Christian unity is no optional extra. It is mandatory for any convincing witness and effective mission.

CHRISTIAN UNITY

"That they all may be one, that the world may believe."

That which serves as the bond uniting churches in fellowship and service is allegiance to Jesus Christ as Lord. The Church is in the world, a reality, a community of faith, created by the Holy Spirit. The New Testament has called it the "Body of Christ" of which Christ is the head and all are members.

The Church is both human and divine, and is the living Presence of God in history. The Christian Church needs always to recall the global character of its own faith. Only with a Christian faith, large enough to embrace all mankind, can the Church live and serve in today's world.

—*Rev. Ira A. Paternoster*
Executive Secretary, Resources and Interpretation
The United Christian Missionary Society

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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina

Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone: 584-9294
George Cannon, Choral Director
Don Mannon, Guest Organist

January 31, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Air For Trumpet Purcell

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship and Choral Introit
* Processional 7 "Immortal, Invisible"
* Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Almighty God, deepen within us the sense of thy holy presence and refresh us in this hour with thy holy power. Confirm our faith, we pray, by bringing us close to things infinite and eternal In the name of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

THE LIVING WORD
Psalter Reading 95 Psalm 100 P. 531
The Anthem Prayer of St. Chrysostom E. Butler
New Testament Reading John 2:1-11
* The Gloria Patri

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Hear Thou Our Prayer

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Theme in Variation
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Ritual of Friendship
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 485 "This is My Father's World"
Sermon The Best For Now

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 365 "Faith of Our Fathers"

Benediction

Choral Response Twofold Amen

Postlude Toccata in d Minor Froberger

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*Congregation will stand

ELCOME A cordial welcome is extended each of you as you worship with us this morning. We especially greet and welcome our visitors. We ask each person to sign the Ritual of Friendship as a way of learning to know everyone else.

HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Mrs. R. S. Shomaker and her mother, Mrs. R. E. Mitchell.

ODAY 6:30 Senior High Youth

IRCLES of the Women's Fellowship meet tomorrow and Tuesday.

Circle 1 with Mrs. M. W. Hook
Circle 2 with Mrs. A. L. Rich
Circle 3 with Mrs. W. G. White
Circle 4 with Mrs. T. E. Powell, Jr.
Circle 5 with Mrs. E. W. Vickers, Sr.
Circle 6 with Mrs. Larry McCauley

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OPIES of the 1970 Annual Reports and Membership Directory are available in the Narthex.

WORKSHOP for church school teachers will be held this afternoon from 2:30 to 5:30 at the Durham United Church. The sessions will be according to age groupings in the church school, Nursery through Youth.

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

January 31, 1971

John 2:1-11

Have a drink? The wedding setting in John's Gospel frames what is the "sign" of God's best drink ever, the "good wine" of his presence with us in Jesus Christ. The writer contrasts the old water of Jewish purification rites with the new wine that Jesus both is and imparts. He is the one who "takes away the sin of the world." He overcomes our rebellious self-centeredness by bridging the barriers with his love and giving us the joy of a new loyalty to him. He offers us the chance to drink from the source of true life. Have a drink!

LAND OF BLUE SKIES AND FLEECY CLOUDS

In the beautiful Surprise Valley, amid the imposing Warner Mountains of California's northeast Modoc County, some American Baptist and United Church of Christ congregations are engaged in a cooperative ministry whose history spans more than half-a-century. In 1883 these denominations started the Federated Community Church of Alturas to minister to the needs of this remote area. In 1952 the Modoc Larger Parish was created to unite the efforts of this Alturas congregation with those of several smaller congregations of the two denominations at Cedarville, Eagleville, Fort Bidwell, and Likeley.

All these churches (except more-recently founded Likeley) have served their communities since the late 1880's. But changing times, sale of land to absentee landlords for speculation and recreation purposes, and a general exodus of young people in search of greater opportunity have slowly eroded away the number of churchgoers in the region. Something had to be done.

At first there was merely greater cooperation, then church buildings were renovated, youth camps and a thrift shop established. Today, newly reorganized, the Modoc Larger Parish is stronger than ever with a unified church council and a unified budget. Two young ministers lead services at Alturas and Likeley and small groups meet regularly at the other locations. Through *Our Christian World Mission,* the churches of the UCC Northern California Conference help support this continuing rural ministry.

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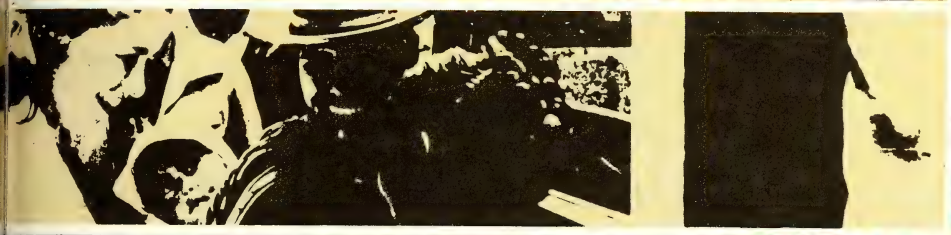

Peace Makers

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February 7, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Vater unser im Himmelreich J. Schneider

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship The Minister
Choral Introit "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"
* Processional 22 "We Praise Thee, O God"
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Almighty God, deepen within us the sense of thy holy presence and refresh us in this hour with thy holy power. Confirm our faith, we pray, by bringing us close to things infinite and eternal. In the name of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

THE LIVING WORD
New Testament Reading Matthew 5:1-19
* The Gloria Patri
The Anthem God is our Strength and Song
D. Peninger
Statement of Faith Hymnal

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Threefold Amen

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Andante Cantabile C. Widor
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 489 "I Would Be True"
Sermon The Great Teacher

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 581 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Benediction

Choral Response Sevenfold Amen

Postlude Wunderbarer Konig M. Reger

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ODAY

5:00	Christian Education sub-committee
6:00	Junior Choir
6:30	Senior High Youth
7:30	Board of Deacons at the parsonage

HE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE meets Tuesday evening at seven in the Hunter Room.

HE MUSIC COMMITTEE meets Wednesday evening at seven in the Secretary's office.

OPIES of the 1970 Annual Reports and Membership Directory are available in the Narthex.

SHERS for the day are:

John Barney Leroy Hughes

John Baxter Ken Harper

Bill Blanchard

Peace Makers

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS **February 7, 1971**

Church Vocations Sunday **Matthew 5:1-1**

Peacemakers. In a world that often seems to totter on the brink o self-destruction, can there be any more needed vocation? In the Beati tudes, it is they who shall be called "sons of God." For peacemaking is more than eradicating war; it is participating in God's bringing his health—personal, social, economic, political—to every person and every part of the world. To do this is to reflect God's purpose, and tha is to be his son. Peacemaking is not just for diplomats. It is for all who follow The Peacemaker into human need anywhere.

THE OVERSEAS PERSONNEL RECRUITMENT OFFICE (OPRO)

Myles Walburn once taught at the Theological Institute at Hoh Fuk Tong in Hong Kong (1959) and then at the Theological School for Eastern Indonesia in Makassar. During 1968—1969 he served as Personnel Secretary for the United Church Board for World Ministries. Today he heads a new ecumenical agency, OPRO, the Overseas Personnel Recruitment Office which acts in behalf of the Disciples of Christ, the Episcopal Church, the Reformed Church in America, the United Church of Christ, the United Methodist Church, the United Presbyterian Church, the United Board for Higher Education in Asia and the Division of Overseas Ministry of the National Council of Churches.

From this background of experience Myles Walburn directs the work of OPRO as it recruits and screens potential candidates for all of these denominations, recommends qualified persons to fill specific needs, and carries out research and interpretation. Part of OPRO's job is the visiting of campuses and the interpretation of the overseas mission today. In its IBM "databank" OPRO lists educational, theological, agricultural and other specialized, overseas church vocations. There may be a job there for you!

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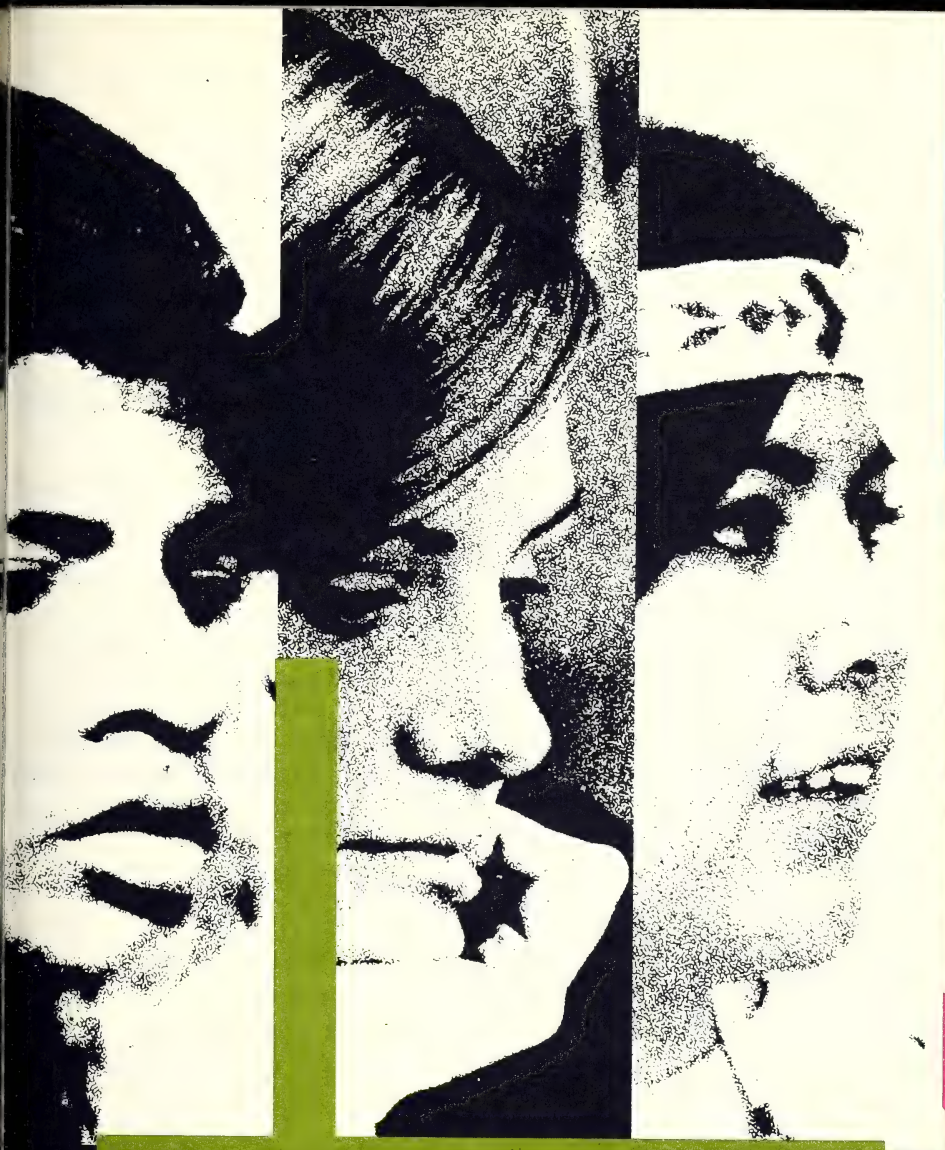

LISTEN TO HIM

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February 14, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Jesu, Priceless Treasure J. S. Bach
We Thank Thee, Jesus, Dearest Friend D. Buxtehude

PRAISE TO GOD

Call to Worship The Minister

Choral Introit Lead Me Lord

* Processional 372 "How Firm a Foundation"

Prayer of Invocation (in unison)

We beseech thee, O God to pardon the forgetfulness and ingratitude with which we receive our daily blessings. May thy Holy Spirit move within us while we pray, that our praises and thanksgivings may overflow in happy song and joyful life, to the honor and glory of thy name. Amen.

THE LIVING WORD

New Testament Reading Mark 2:1-12

* The Gloria Patri

The Anthem Christ is Our Cornerstone
E. Aufdemberge

Statement of Faith

THE WORD OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

Choral Response Hear Our Prayer

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory "O Welt, ich muss dich lassen" J. Brahms

* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

THE SPOKEN WORD

Welcome

Children's Sermon

* Hymn 376 "Lead Us, O Father" Stanzas 1-3

Sermon <u>The Person of Power</u>

OING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 60 "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name"

Benediction

Choral Response Thou Wilt Keep Him...

Postlude Fugue in D Major J. S. Bach

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DAY

12:00	Board of Deacons
6:30	Seekers' Class Covered Dish Supper
6:30	Senior High Youth
7:00	Community Service Committee

NGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. James Stout upon the birth of Katharine Devier Stout on February 6, '71.

TICLES for the Torch are due in the Secretary's office by Tuesday morning.

PIES of Daily Devotional Guides for March - April are available in the Narthex.

HERS for the day are:

T. A. Boland John MacDonald

Walter Boyd Phil Marino

W. C. Perry

LISTEN TO HIM

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS **February 14, 1971**

Race Relations Sunday **Matthew 17:1-9**

Mountaintop or valley? Elation or despair? The mountaintop Transfiguration narrative proclaims the fulfillment of God's radiant presence in Jesus, bringing exalted elation. The following narrative tells of a valley confrontation with the father of an epileptic boy, bringing desperate despair—a despair Jesus meets with healing. To listen to Jesus is not to cling to moments of elation but to use them to meet cries of despair, whether the cries come from black or white or red or yellow or brown people. It is to meet every dehumanizing "seizure" with his radiant and healing power.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SHARING

What can a group of predominantly white middle-class suburban churches do to aid in the development of black-initiated and black-centered programs to help persons caught in the urban crisis?

In Ohio, part of the answer is: Support CLASP!

What is CLASP? It is Ohio Conference's mandate program of Christian Love and Sharing. One of CLASP's major efforts is to create urban advisory boards in major cities to coordinate support for the black community. In Cleveland, for example, the advisory board supplements salaries of ten black ministers and has given scholarship help to two black seminarians. It has used CLASP funds to provide equipment for a retarded children's program and is maintaining Head Start classes at the Hough Avenue United Church of Christ.

Not all of CLASP's attention, however, is directed at the needs of the city. For instance, The Suburban Ministers' Advisory Board for Twinsburg Heights, Oakwood, and Chagrin Falls provides curriculum supplies and materials for two black rural churches. Across the length and breadth of Ohio, CLASP projects are mushrooming as churches discover that there are things which they can do to help. Many other UCC conferences have programs similar to CLASP, supporting them through *Our Christian World Mission.* Has your congregation chosen to be part of the solution rather than part of the problem?

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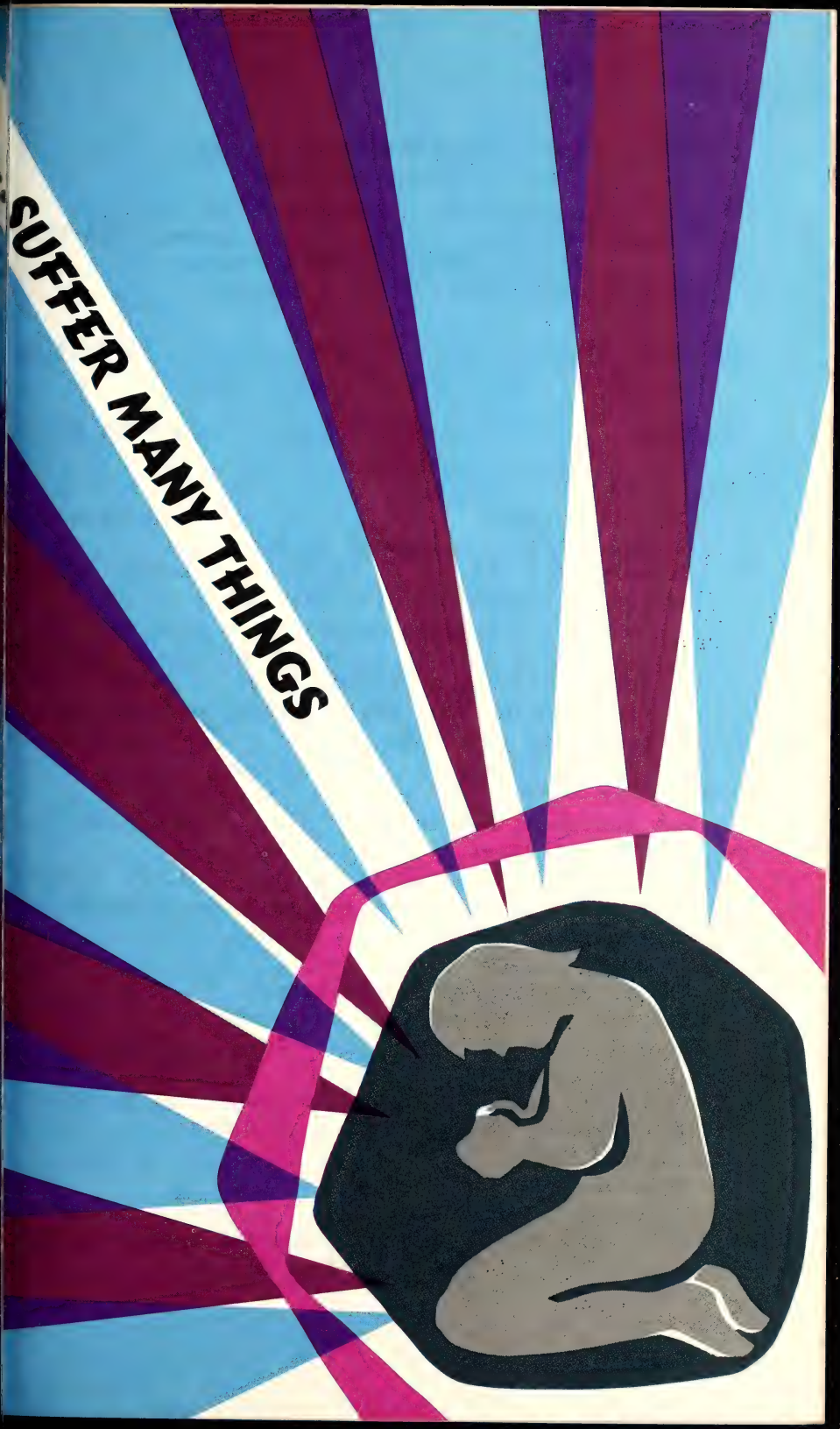
SUFFER MANY THINGS

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February 21, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Canzona J. K. Kerll

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship The Minister
Choral Introit Lead Me Lord
* Processional 19 "Praise the Lord"
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
We pray, O God, be to us as you have been to others: a shield, a rock, a guide, a companion, a friend, a Savior. Yes! A Savior! We come seeking your saving grace, offering the prayer of your Son:
The Lord's Prayer

THE LIVING WORD
New Testament Reading Luke 6:46-7:10
* The Gloria Patri
The Anthem All Praise to God J. J. Schuetz
Mrs. Cynthia Coker, Junior Choir Director
Statement of Faith

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Twofold Amen

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Anthem O Quam Gloriosum R. J. Powell
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 268 "Lord, We Thank Thee For Our Brothers"
Sermon The Great Physician

OING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 426 "The Voice of God is Calling"

Benediction

Choral Response Father, Give Thy Benediction

Postlude Postlude on "O Filii et Filiae"

H. Willan

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DAY 5:15 Senior Hi Youth meet to go bowling
8:00 Board of Trustees

E NOONTIME LENTEN STUDIES begin on Wednesday of this week. Dr. A. B. Gminder will lead this session on "The Cross as a Symbol of Our Savior's Suffering". Bring a sandwich; coffee and dessert will be provided. The session will adjourn each Wednesday by 1:15.

E ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE with Table Communion will begin at 7:15 with a fifteen minute recital of sacred music by Mrs. Bragg. The Edgewood congregation will worship with us. Mr. Hamilton will be preaching and Mr. Stowe will serve as Liturgist.

THE NARTHEX: Daily Devotional Booklets, 1971 Membership Directories, and Lenten Worship-Study Guides. Help yourself, please.

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS **February 21, 1971**

Mark 8:27-33

Brotherhood Week

What does it mean to confess, "You are the Christ"? For Peter, "the Christ" meant crushing might. For Jesus, it meant fatal suffering. Jesus had to rebuke Peter and declare that God's power for new life emerges out of death. Only by entering fully into the tragic suffering and awful dying of the world could God bring new life to it. Brotherhood does not happen by proclaiming mighty principles. It happens by entering into our painful and deadly estrangements with the self-giving love of "the Christ" —the brother of us all.

WELL-BABY CLINICS IN GHANA

1969 will be remembered in Adidome, Ghana, as the year when our United Church Board for World Ministries-supported hospital there began Well-Baby Clinics in eight nearby villages. In Ghana, as in many tropical countries, children from birth to five years of age have the highest mortality rate. Thirty percent do not survive! They are most susceptible to the many contagious and parasitic diseases of the tropics and are most vulnerable to malnutrition.

Now teams of nurses visit each village monthly, trying to see every child and check his progress by examination and weighing. Prophylactic shots and pills against malaria are given, as are immunizations against tetanus, smallpox and tuberculosis. A most important part of the clinics is the health education program for mothers which lays particular emphasis on nutrition. When available, food supplements from Church World Service are distributed.

The idea of preventative medicine is still very new. Many mothers will not bring a child for the check-up unless he is sick. Our missionary nurses and doctors emphasize that the 10¢ fee per visit is much less than the cost of a stay in the hospital for a sick child. Four villages have been especially responsive, and already a number of the children have made good gains in weight. Other villages are expected to join the Well-Baby Clinic circuit in the months ahead.

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ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

February 24, 1971

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

and

EDGEWOOD UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

7:15 P. M.

PRELUDE	Sonata II	Mendelssohn
	Adoro Te Devote	Peeters
	Mass For Organ	Liszt
	(Sanctus)	
	(Benedictus)	
*HYMN OF TRUST	"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded	P. 170

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION — Mr. Stowe

* The Doxology

SCRIPTURE DIALOGUE

THE PRAYER HYMN "Lord, who throughout..." P. 153

Pastoral Prayer

ANTHEM Holy Lamb of God — Combined Choirs

NEW TESTAMENT READING — Philippians 2:1-11

SERMON <u>The Who, What, For Whom and Why</u> — Mr. Hamilton

<u>For Lent</u>

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Collect — P. 495

Prayer of Confession — P. 495

Assurance of Pardon

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

The Service

(As directed by the ushers, the people will gather in a semi-circle for individual communion.)

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

*HYMN "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" P. 177

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Therefore we, Before Him Bending... Peeters

<u>A CORDIAL WELCOME</u> is extended the members of both congregations and other friends of the community.

SCRIPTURAL DIALOGUE

ıo is there now believing what is heard?
› whom has God's almighty arm been shown?

He who believes in him is not condemned:
He who does not believe already is,
Because his disbelief is in
The name of the only Son of God.

›r he grew up before him like a young plant,
ıd like a root springing from the dry ground.

And Jesus went with Mary and with Joseph
Until they came to live at Nazareth;
And there he grew in wisdom and in stature,
With God and men increasing in their favor.

: had no comeliness that drew our looks upon him;
ıere was no beauty there for our desire.

Was not this the carpenter, the son of Mary?
Was he not the brother of James and Joses
And Judas and Simon, with two sisters there?
And offense was taken at him for what he was.

: was despised and rejected by men:
Man of sorrows, acquainted with grief.

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, killer of prophets,
Stoner of those who have been sent to you!
How often would he have gathered your children
As a mother hen under her wings..but you would not!

; one from whom men hid their faces
: was despised and we esteemed him not.

I do not know this man of whom you speak!
I neither understand nor know what you mean!

Surely he has born our griefs and sorrows;
Yet we saw him smitten and afflicted as by God.

In purple cloak, and thorny crown, with scars
and spit;
When they had mocked him they led him out to nails
and jeers.

But for our transgressions he was hurt,
For our iniquities bruised, for our wholeness
chastised,
With his stripes were we healed.

Even showing his disciples what would come;
To go to Jerusalem to suffer...to be killed.

All we like sheep have gone astray;
We have turned, each one, finding our own directions.

And this is the judgment, that the light has come,
That men loved darkness rather than the light,
Because their deeds are evil.

And the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

For God so loved the world
That he gave his son.

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February 28, 1971 First Sunday in Lent 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Ciacona J. Pachelbel

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship The Minister
Choral Introit Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty
* Processional 35 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Almighty God, make us to be channels through which thy love and grace may flow. Impel us to become more like our Lord Christ, to expect more from him, to do more for him, to let him do more for us. In his spirit, we pray:
The Lord's Prayer

THE LIVING WORD
New Testament Reading Luke 4:16-22; Mark 1:14-15; John 17:19
* The Gloria Patri
Statement of Faith
The Anthem God So Loved the World J. Stainer

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Threefold Amen

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory O Sorrow Deep! Who would not Weep J. Brahms
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 346 "Come, Let us Join..."
Sermon For Their Sake....he preached

OING OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn 177	"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"	
* Benediction		
* Choral Response		Sevenfold Amen
* Postlude	Toccata	F. Murschauser

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DAY 6:30 Senior High Youth
7:00 Executive Board, Women's Fellowship

E WEDNESDAY NOON LENTEN STUDY will be led this week by Dr. John Truitt on "The Lamb of God as a Symbol of Our Savior's Suffering". Bring a sandwich; coffee and dessert will be provided. The session will adjourn each Wednesday by 1:15.

RLD DAY OF PRAYER program, Church Women United, will be held Friday March 5th at 10:30 A.M. at the Davis Street Methodist Church, Burlington. If you need transportation, please call Mrs. Truitt.

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LOVE

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT **February 28, 197**

Matthew 4:1-1

What are life's central words? Lent is a time to reexamine our loyaltie and meet head-on the temptations that besiege us. What are the word that move us? Joy or jealousy? Justice or jaundice? Love or lust? For giveness or force? Peace or pelf? From the story of Jesus' temptatio comes: "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that pro ceeds from the mouth of God." There can be no doubt that joy, justice love, forgiveness, peace are such words. What would happen to our live and our world if these were to command our highest loyalty?

MONEY GROWS ON TREES!

CROP, the community hunger appeal of Church World Service which we help support through our United Church Board for Worl Ministries, sends seeds to many parts of the world—seeds for vegetables grains, and field crops. These seeds produce food, work, and often cas incomes, all very much needed by the recipients.

In one recent CROP project, almond seedlings were distributed i the Mani area of southern Greece. The village of St. Nicholas, an ol village nestled on the hillside, received six thousand seedlings. The inhabitants, mostly older people, know that their village requires new enterprises and new opportunities if young people are to remain. The new trees are owned by nearly all of the 60 remaining families. Each family has about 100 trees. They will not bear nuts for another year o so, but lots of hard work has already gone into planting on the rugged hillsides which surround the village. The "seed value" or multiplication effect of the project is seen by the fact that the villagers already want to purchase an additional 5,000 almond seedlings at their own expense. The planting began as part of the Mani Project, but the project itself now belongs to the people.

What will be done with the income from the production of the 11,000 trees? The village leaders see the possibility of developing an electric power line, electric power and eventually telephone service to secure immediate contact with buyers and markets. The sale of almonds should yield the villagers double their previous income. Money does grow on trees!

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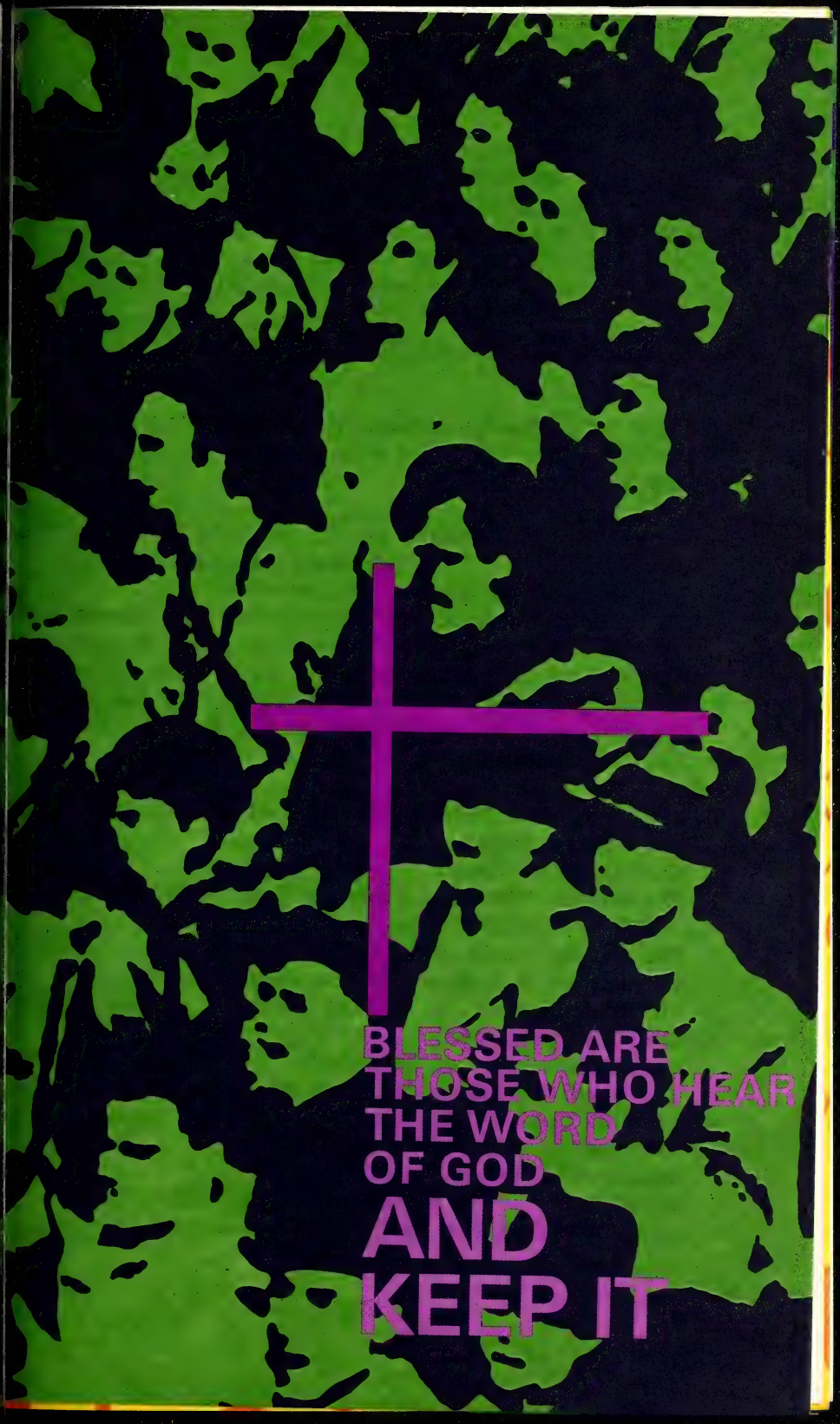
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March 7, 1971 Second Sunday in Lent 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Benign Creator, Heed F. Peeters

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship The Minister
Choral Introit "This is the Day the Lord has Made"
* Hymn 206 "Ye Servants of God,..."
Prayer of invocation (in unison)
O Thou who dost the vision send and givest each his task, and with the task sufficient strength show us thy will, we ask. Give us a conscience bold, a purpose true that it may be our highest joy: our Father's work to do.
The Lord's Prayer

THE LIVING WORD
New Testament Reading-Matthew 21:28-46; John 17:19
* The Gloria Patri
Statement of Faith
The Anthem "Father, Teach Me How to Pray" K. Kuse

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Hear Thou Our Prayer

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Interlude A. Schreiner
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 333 "Father Almighty, Bless Us"
Sermon For Their Sake.....he taught

OING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 60 "Savior Again, to Thy Dear Name"

Benediction

Choral Response Twofold Amen

Postlude Fugue in F J. Walther

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HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Philip Marino, Jr. in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Marino, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tapscott.

ODAY

4:00 Elon College Vesper Service
6:30 Senior High Youth
7:30 Board of Deacons

HE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP Quarterly Meeting is tomorrow evening at 6:30 in the Parish House. The Spanish Class of Western High School will present the program and will be our guests for the "Latin America Fiesta" (covered dish supper).

HE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE meets Tuesday evening at seven o'clock in the Hunter Room.

HE WEDNESDAY NOON LENTEN STUDY will be led this week by Dr. Alfred Hurst on "The Crowing Cock as a Symbol of Our Savior's Suffering". Bring a sandwich; coffee and dessert will be provided. The session will adjourn each Wednesday by 1:15.

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT **March 7, 1971**

Luke 11:24-34

The word of God: pious pronouncement or penetrating performance? According to Luke's Gospel, Jesus' word to a woman makes very clear which it is. For him it is not religious verbiage but concrete action—action that lets God's healing of human life happen and his dispelling of inner darkness occur. The "word of God" is not first something written in books or even uttered from lips. It is a life that embodies the presence of God's liberating love. This is Lent. Will it mean an old "adoring him with our lips" or a new "following him with our lives"?

THE NEW HAMPSHIRE FELLOWSHIP

Today, when tensions and differences between various segments of our society loom so large, it is important to identify areas in which we are consciously working together to overcome differences. One such instance is the New Hampshire Fellowship, a unique relationship which exists between the New Hampshire Conference of the United Church of Christ and the Roman Catholic Diocese of Manchester.

The stated purpose of the fellowship is "to provide an instrument through which members may work to promote understanding, comradeship and growth toward the unity of the Catholic Church and the United Church of Christ." Without implying that members of the fellowship "belong" to both churches, individual members of both groups pledge themselves to their mutual well-being. They have agreed to worship from time to time in each other's church—preferably when the Lord's Supper is observed, though not as a communicant. And they subscribe to one another's official periodicals and agree to read at least one book each year on the other's beliefs. Such ongoing dialogue is a source of some optimism for the future. It is at least the beginning of understanding. It is a firm base upon which to build cooperative action in response to the needs of the day.

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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
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George Cannon, Choral Director
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

March 14, 1971 Third Sunday in Lent 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Priere J. Jongen

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship The Minister
Choral Introit Lead Me, Lord
* Hymn 19 "Praise the Lord, His Glories Show"
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray, teach us with thee to mourn our sins and close by thee to stay. And through these days of penitence and through thy passion-tide, yea, evermore in life and death, Jesus, with us abide
The Lord's Prayer

THE LIVING WORD
New Testament Reading Mark 1:29-45; John 17:19
* The Gloria Patri
Unison Reading 131 Romans 12
The Anthem Holy Lamb of God W. A. Mozart

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Threefold Amen

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Andante in F L. Vierne
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 84 "The Lord's My Shepherd"
Sermon For Their Sake.....he healed

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 318 "Draw Thou My Soul, O Christ"

Benediction

Choral Response Twofold Amen

Postlude Fugue in C Major D. Buxtehude

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DDAY

4:00 Cynthia Coker Recital
6:30 Senior High Youth
7:00 Worship Committee

ONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. K. David Nichols and Grandparents Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Smith upon the birth of Katherine Anne Nichols on March 8..... and to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Holt and Grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Holt upon the birth of Jeffrey Alfred Holt on March 8.

HE WEDNESDAY NOON LENTEN STUDY will be led this week by Reverend Howard Bozarth on "The Agonies of Gethsemane". Bring a sandwich; coffee and dessert will be provided. The session will adjourn each Wednesday by 1:15.

N ORIENTATION CLASS for new members will begin on March 28, during the Church School Hour. The invitation to church membership is extended openly to all.

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THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT **March 14, 1971**

Matthew 18:23-35

Forgiveness: costly or cheap? According to Matthew's Gospel, Jesus' words to Peter point to forgiveness unlimited. But forgiveness is not a cheap cleansing of the slate; it is a costly call for the forgiven to become forgiving. Forgiveness is never earned. But our response to it indicates whether we really have grasped what it means. God's unlimited offer of forgiveness to us is no cheap "Now, now, that's alright." It is the costly "You are forgiven to become forgiving." This is Lent. Will it bring what is cheap and appealing, or costly and healing?

THE GREEN REVOLUTION

Recently a new note of hope has been injected into the discussion of world-wide food shortages and impending starvation. The world now faces the possibility of a Green Revolution, an unprecedented increase of food brought about by new strains of high-yield wheat and rice. Such an abundance will soon be possible—enough food to feed 157 billion people, nearly fifty times the world's present population. But this will bring its own problems. The new miracle grains demand high investment in seed, irrigation, fertilizer, and insecticide. Only large landholders or cooperative groups of smaller landholders will be able to afford to compete. The danger is that increasing numbers of small farmers and peasants will be forced off the land and into the already crowded cities.

While much of the credit for the Green Revolution must be given to government and private foundations, church-related agricultural workers have been teaching the use of the miracle seeds and working even harder at community organization, cooperative planning, planting, and marketing. All this is cause for rejoicing. The Republic of the Philippines, for instance, once dependent upon import of 1,000,000 tons of rice each year, now has the ability to export rice. Working with the United Church of Christ of the Philippines are a half-a-dozen missionaries, leaders in the church-supported rural life program, from the United Church of Christ (U. S. A.), the United Presbyterian Church (U. S. A.), and the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). You help support them by your concern, your prayers, and your giving to *Our Christian World Mission.*

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w are we to buy bread so that these people may eat?

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March 21, 1971 Fourth Sunday in Lent 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Come, O Creator, Spirit Blest F. Peeters

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit "This is the Day the Lord has Made"
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Spirit of God, descend upon our hearts. Stoop to our weakness, mighty as thou art, and make us love thee as we ought to love. Teach us to feel that thou art always near; teach us the struggles of the soul to bear, to check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh; teach us the patience of unanswered prayer.
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 228 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

THE LIVING WORD
Psalter Reading 107 Psalm 145 P. 537
* The Gloria Patri
New Testament Reading-Matthew 14:13-27; John 17:19
The Anthem"Let There Be Peace on Earth"W. Stickles

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Almighty Father, Hear Our Prayer

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Andante F. Liszt
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 295 "Christ for the World We Sing"
Sermon For Their Sake....he lived

OING OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn 157 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

* Benediction

* Choral Response Father, Give Thy Benediction

* Postlude Postludium F. Liszt

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E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Roland Longest in memory of her father, Mr. Homer J. Cockran and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Longest.

DAY we receive our special offering for the One Great Hour of Sharing for world relief, emergency service, and the self development of people. Please give generously.

E SENIOR HIGH YOUTH are at Moonelon this weekend for a "work-happening". They will return home by mid-afternoon and are not scheduled to meet this evening.

E WEDNESDAY NOON LENTEN STUDY will be led this week by Dr. W. T. Scott on "The Whip as a Symbol of Our Savior's Suffering". Bring a sandwich; coffee and dessert will be provided. The session will adjourn each Wednesday by 1:15.

R HOSPITAL PATIENTS of the week have all returned home. They are Mrs. William Barbee, Dr. Fred Emerson, and Bobby Smith.

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so that these people may eat

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT **March 21, 197**

One Great Hour of Sharing—Share our Substance **John 6:1-1**

Bread: sacred symbol or daily diet? spiritual sustenance or physica food? John's Gospel weaved the two together. The one shares in th other. Jesus' actual feeding of people leads on to the proclamation tha he himself is "the bread of life." Yet being fed by his spirit leads not t some spiritual world. It leads us to the hungry of this world to give neede nourishment. Daily bread itself is a sacred symbol. How we share i shows whether Jesus for us means Sunday sentiment or concrete com passion. This is Lent. Which will it mean for you?

TIME TO INVEST

"A time to invest? You must be out of your mind! The Dow Jone average has hit new lows, sales are off and dividends are down, capita gains—who knows?"

But I'm not talking about that kind of investment, I'm talking abou investing in the work of One Great Hour of Sharing—Share Our Sub stance.

Vaccine to still a tubercular cough; protein foods to reduce swolle bellies; agriculturalists, seeds and tools for greater harvests; new trades business loans and scholarships for refugees; a plastic loop, chart an guide in planned parenthood; doctors, nurses, social and fraternal work ers, in ministries of compassion when disasters strike—these are *in vestments.*

Some call it development, while others call it self-help.

Can we even dare to hope it's the way to peace? In the sight of Go and man it's an investment—in love—which you can make through th One Great Hour of Sharing—Share Our Substance offering.

—*Rev. Roland K. Huff*
Secretary for General Administration
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IF ANYONE SERVES ME
HE MUST FOLLOW ME

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Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

March 28, 1971 Passion Sunday 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE The Royal Banners Forward Go Van Hulse

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship The Minister
Choral Introit For the Joy of Human Love
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Lord, as to Thy dear cross we flee and plead to be forgiven, so let Thy life our pattern be and form our souls for heaven. Help us, through good report and ill, our daily cross to bear; like Thee, to do our Father's will, Our brethren's grief to share.
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 372 "How Firm a Foundation"

THE LIVING WORD
Psalter Reading 106 Psalm 139 P. 537
* The Gloria Patri
New Testament Reading John 5:10-24; 17:19
The Anthem Our Prayer Junior Choir

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Threefold Amen

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Anthem Who Shall Ascend the Hill
C. F. Mueller
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 161 "Before the Cross of Jesus"
Sermon For Their Sake....he labored

OING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 326 "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne" (Stanzas 1-4)

Benediction

Choral Response May the Grace of Christ...

Postlude Fugue in C Major Pachelbel

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E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Mrs. H. D. Lambeth, Sr., Mrs. H. D. Lambeth, Jr., and Mrs. Wautel Seldon by Mr. H. D. Lambeth, Sr., and Family.

DAY

6:00 Junior Choir
6:30 Senior High Youth
7:30 Board of Trustees

E WEDNESDAY NOON LENTEN STUDY will be led this week by Dr. W. J. Elzey on "The Crown of Thorns as a Symbol of Our Savior's Suffering". Bring a sandwich; coffee and dessert will be provided. The session will adjourn each Wednesday by 1:15.

OSPITALIZED: Mrs. Mary Powell Brantley at County Hospital and Mrs. L. E. Wells at Memorial Hospital.

RTICLES for The Torch are due in the Secretary's office by Tuesday morning.

NE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING last Sunday received a total of $112.81. Your gifts are still needed.

HE MUST FOLLOW ME

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT **March 28, 1971**

John 12:20-32

Service: coerced conscription or conscientious consent? In John's Gospel, Jesus accepts suffering and death not as a victim but as a victor. His was a love that gave itself with conscientious completeness to show the depth of his desire to heal human distortion. Such love has the victorious power to change us from self-seeking to world-serving. It calls us to follow our servant-master in making life whole. Service is not coercion that makes us sour. It is consent that gives us power. This is Lent. Will you give conscientious consent?

THE BEAVER VALLEY INDUSTRIAL MINISTRY

Aliquippa is a steel-making city of 26,000 people on the Ohio River. When immigrants came from Europe around 1900, the Borough Council, with the backing of the city's giant steel corporation, assigned each nationality group to a specific "hill." These areas deteriorated into ghettos long ago.

Several years ago the Beaver-Butler Presbytery and the Presbyterian Synod of Pennsylvania initiated an industrial ministry in Aliquippa and in the surrounding areas of Beaver Valley. Searching for meaningful ways of relating church mission and industrial life, their concern focused on assisting residents in effective community planning.

They made contact with a struggling group of citizens who had hoped to sponsor low-income housing but who had never been given more than moral support by town leaders. Now, with a greatly enlarged civic board, they have started negotiations with a national redevelopment firm, having received seed money from the United Presbyterian Church and the Penn West Conference of the United Church of Christ. Soon better housing will be available for the people of Aliquippa and the Beaver Valley.

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COMING!

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April 4, 1971 Palm Sunday 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Allegro Maestoso G. F. Handel

CALL TO WORSHIP The Minister

*PROCESSIONAL 155 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

*INTROIT
Pastor: The disciples began to rejoice and praise God, proclaiming to all:
People: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Pastor: Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.
People: Hosanna in the highest!
Choir: "Gracious God I Come Before Thee"

THE EPISTLE LESSON Hebrews 12:1-6
* Gloria Patri
THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 19:28-42

ANTHEM Thou Art My Exalted King J. Rickard

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Twofold Amen
CHILDREN'S STORY
* Hymn 227 "Fairest Lord Jesus"
THE OFFERING
Offertory Chartres R. Purvis
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
SERMON For Their Sake...He Suffered

YMN 195 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

ENEDICTION

Choral Response Sevenfold Amen

OSTLUDE Psalm XIX B. Marcello

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*Congregation will stand

CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today and especially to all visitors of the day. We welcome your frequent return. We are pleased also to have John Park, Jon White, and Billy Stewart as guest musicians assisting with our Worship Service.

E ALTAR FLOWERS and palm arrangements are given to the Glory of God by Rev. and Mrs. Clyde Fields in memory of her father, Mr. Jim W. Stone and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brady W. Fields. Following the Service, individual palm branches will be given the congregation.

DAY

6:00	Junior Choir
6:30	Senior High Youth
7:30	Board of Deacons

RCLES OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP will meet Monday and Tuesday of this week.

E WEDNESDAY NOON LENTEN STUDY will be led this week by Dr. W. W. Sloan on "INRI".

E GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE on April 9 will begin at 7:30 at Edgewood Church.

SPITALIZED: Mrs. Mary Powell Brantley at County; Mrs. L. E. Wells at Memorial; and Mrs. Betty Stegall at Cone.

EASTER we will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

PALM SUNDAY **April 4, 1971**

Matthew 21:1-9

Palm Sunday!
So beautiful and joyous
With palm and loud Hosanna: "Save now!"
Yet the coming of this king
Happens on a path that leads beyond to death.
Palm Sunday's superficial cries of adoration turn to shouts of "Crucify."
He who challenged merciless men with cleansing vigorous deed
Could not save himself with compromising calculation.
"He saved others; he cannot save himself."
This is the king that comes to us—a ruler now
Whose cross extends between the severed palm and Easter's new creation.
On either end of Holy Week stands joyous exultation;
In between is agony, forsakenness and death
To take the utter seriousness of the depth of human sin.
He enters into our distorted world with care beyond compare
To save us now—not by some royal edict.
No! By coming to us in our need
With the new creative splendor of his love.

—*Dr. Paul L. Hammer*
Professor of New Testament
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GOOD FRIDAY

EDGEWOOD UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Burlington, North Carolina
April 9, 1971

EDGEWOOD UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
"Good Friday"

Rev. George Stowe
Rev. Thomas Hamilton, Ministers
Mrs. Charles Bingenheimer, Choir Director
Mrs. Fddie Harris, Organist

ORGAN PRELUDE Selections from "Seven Last Words"
SILENT MEDITATION
Is it nothing to you, all you that pass by? Look and see if there is any sorrow like my sorrow.
INVITATION TO WORSHIP
RESPONSIVE PRAYER (Ministers and Congregation)
Father of us all, we sense before thee the unworthiness of all our deeds. As we have offended others, so are we often the object of hurtful thoughts, words and deeds.

FATHER, FORGIVE THEM FOR THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY DO.

So we seek to live as acceptable in thy sight. Grant us the joy of loving thee into all eternity.

TODAY SHALT THOU BE WITH ME IN PARADISE.

Thou hast made us to be children of thine, to care for each other, to steady the arms of faith and the arms of life. In tender compassion, help us to minister to those whom thou hast given us to love.

WOMAN, BEHOLD THY SON! ... BEHOLD THY MOTHER.

Yet we are troubled, disturbed; and we feel a loneliness in grief. Why is the body so weak, the flesh so frail? Why suffering? Why the torment? Lord God in whom we believe, help our unbelief.

MY GOD, WHY HAST THOU FORSAKEN ME?

Our needs, known and unknown to us, are known to thee. The body craves its nourishment for strength and hope and meaning in life. Share with us of that spring of water which wells up to eternal life.

I THIRST.

How we struggle with each of life's opportunities. The deed of yesterday is done; it cannot be undone. The wrong cannot be righted. Yet nothing, absolutely nothing, can separate us from thy love in Christ our Lord.

IT IS FINISHED.

We come here, O God, professing our complete loyalty and utter trust in thee. We say as did our Master:

Not my will but thine be done"; for into thy hands
commit my life, with all its broken promises,
ts sufferings and its defeats, to be used and
erfected by thee.

FATHER, INTO THY HANDS I COMMEND MY SPIRIT.
AMEN.

NTHEM "God So Loved the World"

Words of the Cross

. Father forgive them; for they know not what they do. Rev. Stowe
. Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise. Rev. Hamilton

YMN #122 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" 1st vs.

. Woman, behold, your son! Behold your mother! Rev. Stowe
. My God, My God, Why Hast thou Forsaken Me? Rev. Hamilton

YMN #122 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" 2nd vs.

. I Thirst. Rev. Stowe
. It is Finished. Rev. Hamilton

YMN #122 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" 3rd vs.

. Father, Into thy Hands I Commit My Spirit. Rev. Stowe

YMN #122 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" 4th vs.

PRAYER OF SURRENDER Rev. Hamilton

YMN #125 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

OSTLUDE "March to Calvary".....Victus

ollowing the singing of the last hymn the congre-
ation will quietly leave the church sanctuary.

*Congregation Standing

HE IS RISEN

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April 11, 1971 Easter Sunday 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE The Eternal King R. Purvis

CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. Alfred Hurst

*PROCESSIONAL 182 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

*INTROIT

Pastor: The day has come at last; lent has past, and we live in the season of Easter.

People: God help us to rejoice and be glad, to feel the reality and wonder of the resurrection with our whole beings.

Pastor: May the reality of Easter awaken depth of feeling and purpose in all our lives so we can look at life and death, and shout "Hooray!".

Choir: "Let shouts of holy joy outburst: Alleluia"

SCRIPTURE-ANTHEM Excerpts from The Resurrection by H. Schutz Junior Choir
With portions of The Easter Gospel

THE PASTORAL PRAYER Choral Response

SERMON For Their Sake...God raised him up
Mr. Hamilton

THE OFFERING

Offertory Anthem Sine Nomine V. Williams

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Invitation

Communion Collect, Hymnal page 495

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration
The Communion
Prayer of Thanksgiving, Hymnal page 486
YMN 193 "Thine is the Glory"

ENEDICTION
Choral Response "The Song of Triumph has Begun"
OSTLUDE Forever in Majesty Van Hulse

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*Congregation will stand

LCOME to all who share our worship on this Easter Sunday and especially to the visitors among us. Visitors are asked to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex or one of the cards in the pews. Our common practice is to observe "Open Communion", inviting all professing Christians to join us in this Sacrament of faith.

TICLES for The Torch are due in the Secretary's office by Tuesday morning. The church office will be closed tomorrow.

E CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE will meet Tuesday evening at seven o'clock.

E SENIOR HIGH YOUTH will meet today at 4:45 at the church to go to Miss Lynn Barney's Home.

ORIENTATION CLASS for new members will meet in the Secretary's office during the Church School Hour next Sunday. Adults considering church membership are urged to attend and we hope our own members will extend this invitation to persons of their acquaintance.

RVICE OF BAPTISM David Kumar Agarwal, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ramkrishna Agarwal will be baptized this morning following the Easter Worship. David Kumar is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. James Velie and great nephew of Dr. and Mrs. Hurst. Members of the congregation are invited to remain.

HE IS RISEN

EASTER **April 11, 1971**

Mark 16:1-8

"He is not here; for he has risen, as he said." No announcement is more central to the Gospel than this. Jesus' message and pre-Easter activity are saved from the stamp of fanaticism and blasphemy only when seen from the perspective of the resurrection. When asked for a sign, Jesus deliberately staked his whole claim upon his resurrection.

Yet the believers were first of all unbelievers. The disciples had missed the point. They believed the grave to be the final chapter. If the Master was dead, their hopes were no less dead. Frustration, discouragement, despair—these words described Jesus' most loyal disciples.

Then abruptly these frightened and cowardly disciples become men of courage and conviction. They were willing to die for one message: "Jesus Christ rose from the dead." Why? They knew it was true; nothing else mattered as much.

Back in Jerusalem there was a tomb, empty except for some grave-clothes. But most important, each of the disciples actually saw Jesus alive after his burial. And that fact is the pivotal point of life, theirs and ours, now and eternally. He lives today. Come and see.

—*Rev. Carl W. Bogue,* Pastor
Allenside United Presbyterian Church
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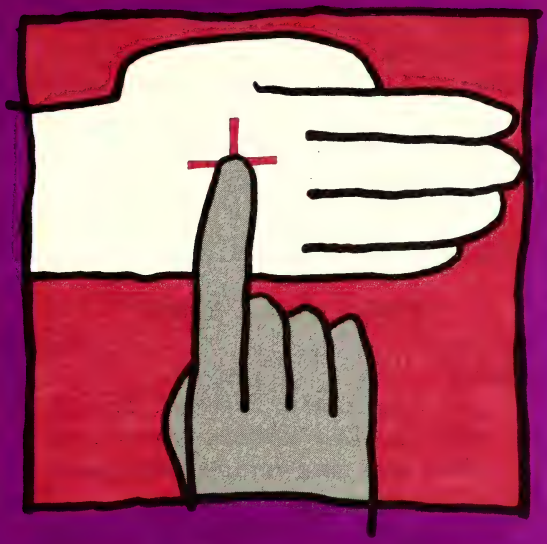

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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina

Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone: 584-9294
George Cannon, Choral Director
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

April 18, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Fantasy in A Minor J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is his faithfulness. (Lam. 3:22,23)

Choir: "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

*HYMN 366 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

PSALTER READING 105 Psalm 136 p. 536

* The Gloria Patri

BIBLICAL AFFIRMATIONS (in unison)

Out of the depths I cry to thee, O Lord!
Lord, hear my voice. If thou , O Lord, shouldst mark iniquities, who could stand?
But there is forgiveness with thee.
(Ps. 130 - selected

Do not fear; let not your hands grow weak.
The Lord is in your midst; he will rejoice over you with gladness. He will renew you in his love.
(Zeph. 3 - selected

Let us love one another, for love is of God. The love of God was made known as God sent his only Son into the world that we might live through him. Friends, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. (I John 4 - selected

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

Choral Response Threefold Amen

ANTHEM The Lord is My Shepherd N. Cain

:HILDREN'S SERMON
Hymn 97 "God of Our Life...."
:HE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory Pastorale R. Purvis
Congregational Response "We Give Thee but Thine Own"
SERMON 80 And Going Strong

YMN 472 "Lord, Thou Hast Known Our Joy"

BENEDICTION
Choral Response Sevenfold Amen
POSTLUDE Allegro L. Boellmann

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*Congregation will stand

CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us. Especially we welcome today the members of Zeta Tau Alpha and offer our congratulations upon their installation as Eta Zeta Chapter of the International Zeta Tau Alpha Fraternity.

E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Mr. Archie Braxton, Sr., by Mrs. Archie Braxton, Sr., and family.

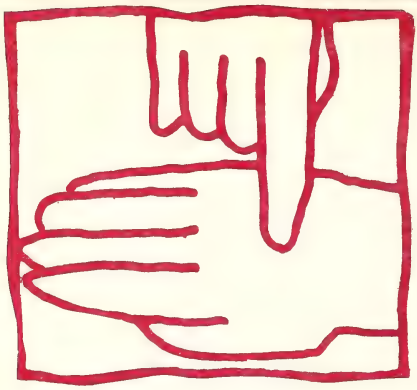
DAY 6:30 Senior High Youth
7:00 Community Service Committee

NGRATULATIONS to Mary Dianne Cates and Alton Manson Perry, Jr. whose Service of Marriage was celebrated here Friday evening.

E CHURCHMEN'S FELLOWSHIP, Burlington Area, will meet Thursday evening at seven at our Beverly Hills Church. Reservations should be called in by Tuesday morning.

PPY 80TH BIRTHDAY, Elon College Community Church!

E CHURCH COUNCIL will meet April 25 at 7 P.M. in the Hunter Room.



SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **April 18, 1971**

John 20:19-31

What does it mean to believe? To accept what you can tangibly prove? Or to risk involving yourself in what you cannot prove? Believing in Jesus' resurrection is not simply a twentieth century problem. John's Gospel reflects it already in the first century. The risen Lord does not subject himself to our scientific control, nor could he be our Lord if he did. But to those who subject themselves to him—who risk believing that he lives—he does prove himself. No, not as a revivified corpse but as the presence of God's creative and healing power.

WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT THE MIDDLE EAST SITUATION

Ever wonder what *you* can do about the socio-political impasse in the Middle East? United Church Board for World Ministries missionary William Holladay, speaking from his post as professor of Old Testament at the Near East School of Theology in Beirut, Lebanon, points to several things each of us can do:

- We can combat stereotypes. For example, all Arabs are not nomadic Moslems. Many are Christian, many are farmers, villagers and city dwellers.
- We can dig out the facts, both of the present situation and of historical events. Both the Arab lands and Israel have shared responsibility for the escalating provocations which have led to war three times in the past twenty years.
- We can try to understand the feelings on both sides of the struggle, the Israeli's pride in what their nation has become and the Arabs' resentment, humiliation and frustration in a situation not of their own making.
- We can challenge the easy assumption that might makes right and that present-day events simply represent the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy.

These things we can do about the Middle East situation. Indeed, we must!

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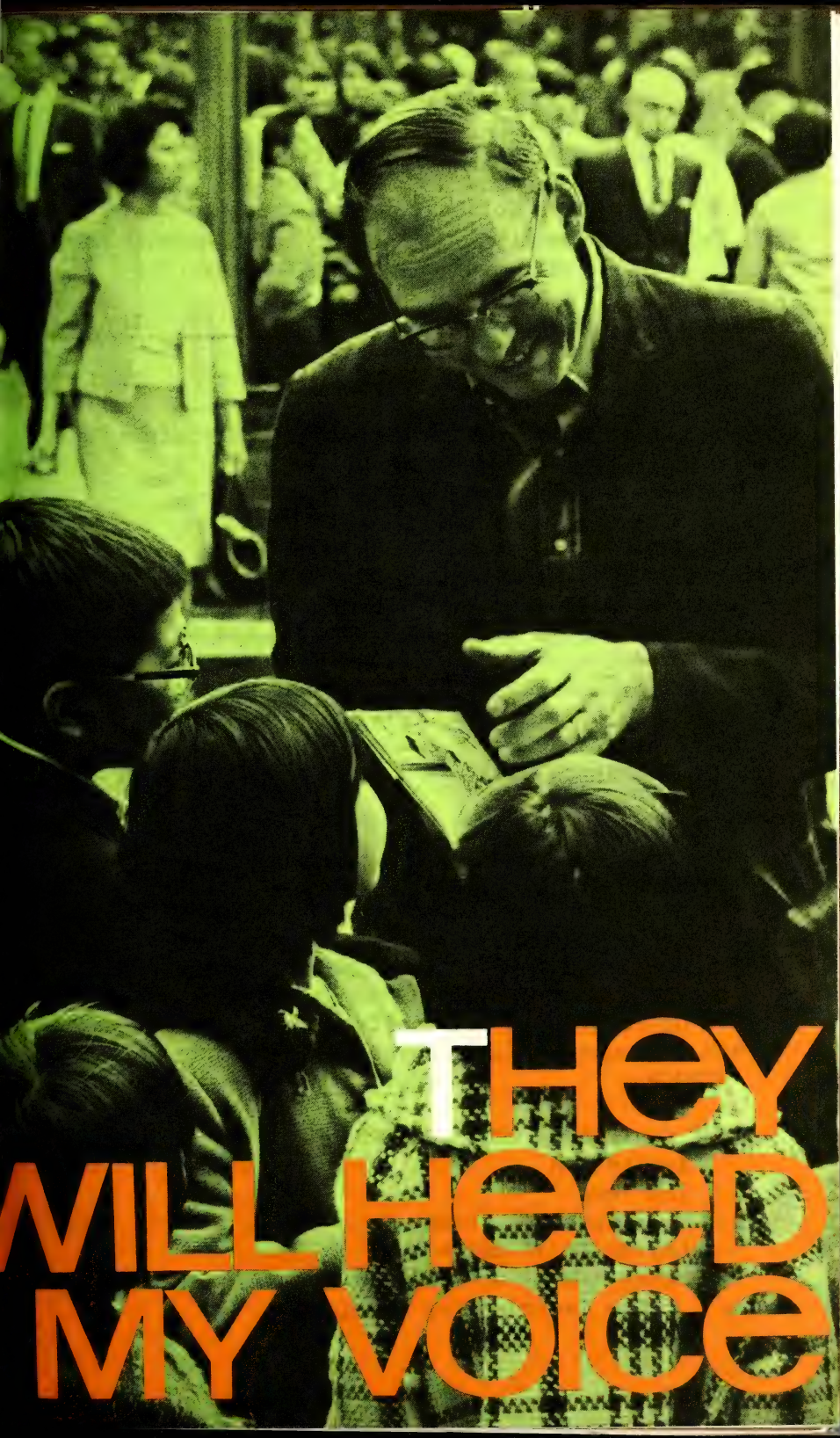

THEY WILL HEED MY VOICE

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April 25, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Fugue in E^b Major J. S. Bach
(St. Anne)

CHORAL INTROIT Gracious God, I Come Before Thee
Call to Worship

*HYMN 446 "God the Omnipotent"

*UNISON PRAYER

Lord God, keep before us the challenge and excitement of the truth found in Christ, that all our days may be spent in preparing the way of the Lord for the coming of his kingdom and for that life which is both present and eternal. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 23

* Gloria Patri

THE GOSPEL LESSON John 10:8-18

THE PASTORAL PRAYER Threefold Amen

ANTHEM Let There Be Peace on Earth Miller

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 485 "This is My Father's World"

THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Vocalise S. Rachmaninoff

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Here I Stand

THE SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

Invitation

The Vows

* The Apostles' Creed P. 511

Laying on of Hands

Reception of other New Members

The Sacrament of Baptism

Congregation: Beloved, we greet you with joy. We pledge to you our friendship in the Lord, and give you our support in prayer and service that you may continue to grow in the knowledge and love of God and be witnesses with us of Jesus Christ, the risen Lord.

*HYMN 371 "He Who Would Valiant Be"

*BENEDICTION Twofold Amen

*POSTLUDE My Heart Ever Faithful J. S. Bach

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*Congregation will stand

A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us. Especially we welcome today the members of Phi Mu and offer our congratulations upon their installation as the Gamma Nu Chapter of the international Phi Mu Fraternity.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mrs. T. E. Gilliam, Sr. and Family in memory of Mr. T. E. Gilliam, Sr.

NEW MEMBERS are received into our church fellowship today. Members of the Confirmation Class are Emily Alexander, Clayton Mann, Vicki Price, and Mark Rinker. Others who are received as members are: Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bayliff, Jr., Mrs. Blanche Lewis, Walter Smith, and Les W. Wagoner, Jr.

THE CHURCH COUNCIL meets this evening at seven o'clock in the Hunter Room.

THE WOMEN'S BIBLE HOUR is Wednesday at 12 noon at the home of Dr. and Mrs. John Truitt.

OUR GUEST SPEAKER next Sunday as we celebrate National Christian College Day will be Dr. Martin L. Shotzberger, President of Catawba College.

heed my voice

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **April 25, 1971**

Consultation on Church Union Sunday **John 10:7-18**
National Christian College Day

What brings Christian unity? Theological or liturgical or organizational uniformity? As John's Gospel records, Jesus, speaking of "one flock, one shepherd," says, "they will heed my voice." Unity does not flow from doctrinal language nor worship forms nor church structures. It flows from listening to him who "lays down his life" for us. To be drawn closer to him is to be drawn closer to one another and to love one another with a love that reflects his love for all. That is genuine unity. Language or forms or structures are to be the heeding servants of such love.

QUESTIONS BEFORE COCU

How can the church be reorganized and renewed . . .

- to think more of people's needs (in the church and out) and less of institutional tradition, pride and promotion?
- to prepare its members more for inclusive service in God's world of the future (the "global village") and less for exclusive separation?
- to share the unique "power" of those of its people who have wealth of education, property, money, position, and whiteness with the unique "soul" of those of its people who have a history of suffering, poverty of power, and non-whiteness?
- to bring forth more lay leadership through honestly significant roles in church government at every level and through wider concepts of service that recover the meaning of "Christian ministry"?
- to improve the stewardship of all its resources, not least those of the clergy who need to be trained in order to train, to be supported in order to support, to be ministered to in order to minister?

The authors of the Plan of Union for the Consultation on Church Union (COCU) considered these and many other questions in composing proposals now before the members of the nine participating denominations. Across the land, groups of Christians are now studying the Plan, usually across denominational lines, responding to their COCU representatives with their suggestions. We are now more than midway through the two-year period in the creative process which is allocated for responses from local groups which are requested by January 15, 1972.

Rev. James O. Gilliom, Pastor
United Church of Christ, and
Delegate to the Consultation on Church Union
Mercer Island, Washington

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ID CAME BACK SEEING!

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May 2, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Now Let All Sing Praise to God
Healey Willan

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship The Minister
Choral Introit Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty
* Hymn 7 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Grant to us this day, our Father, truth for the problems which perplex and light on the pathway we cannot see. Help us as we walk in faith. Speak to us words of truth and love, of comfort and forgiveness. Hear us, too, as we make our Master's Prayer our own:
The Lord's Prayer

THE LIVING WORD
New Testament Reading I Corinthians 13
* The Gloria Patri
The Anthem With A Voice of Singing M. Shaw
Statement of Faith

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response "Almighty Father, Hear Our Prayer"

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Pastorale J. S. Bach
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 223 "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"
Sermon Human or Humane! Dr. Shotzberger

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 8 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Benediction The Minister

Choral Response Thou Wilt Keep Him...

Postlude Finale from Fifth Symphony

L. Vierne

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LCOME A cordial welcome is extended each of you as you worship with us this morning. We especially greet and welcome our visitors, asking you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex or one of the "Welcome" cards on the back of each pew.

R GUEST SPEAKER today is Dr. Martin L. Shotzberger, President of Catawba College. We receive him gladly as we recognize National Christian College Day.

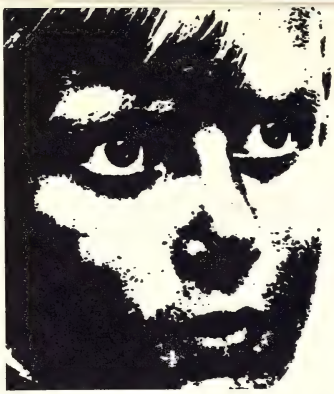
E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Oxford in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Oxford and Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Lewis.

DAY: 6:00 Senior High Youth at Griswolds
7:30 Board of Deacons

E CIRCLES of the Women's Fellowship meet this week, as listed in The Torch.

E PUBLIC HEALTH CLINIC meets in the Parish House from 2 to 4 P.M. on the first Tuesday of each month.

E MAY FELLOWSHIP DAY Program is Friday at 12 Noon at the First Presbyterian Church.



THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **May 2, 1971**

John 9:1-11

What does seeing mean? In John's Gospel, chapter 9 tells the dramatic story of a blind man whom Jesus healed. But the story is tied directly to the words, "I am the light of the world," and points beyond simply physical sight. Ironically, the man who starts out blind ends up seeing; and the self-righteous religious leaders who start out seeing end up blind. They reject "the light of the world." But the man who obeys that Light discovers the scales of his eyes washed away. Now he sees with eyes indestructable and utterly convincing.

LEAVEN IN ASIA

Dr. Kiyoshi Ii is the moderator of the United Church of Christ of Japan. Dr. C. S. Song is principal of a seminary in Taiwan. Rev. Pedro Raterta is bishop of the Visayas Jurisdiction, United Church of Christ of the Philippines. Mr. Danny Leopold is a trainer of teachers in the Ponape District, Micronesia. What do these Asian Christian leaders have in common? All were at one time recipients of scholarships provided by the United Church Board for World Ministries as part of its worldwide National Leadership Training Program.

During the past fifteen years, the Board has helped over one hundred students from Asian countries to obtain graduate degrees from universities in Asia, in the U. S. A., or in Europe.

Asia experts have long noted that Christians in Japan exert an influence on society far out of proportion to their numbers, one reason being that the church has long concentrated on helping train leaders for that nation. Today, new opportunities and needs demand similar efforts toward educating Christians from other Asian nations, such as Indonesia, and it seems only right that more scholarships should be directed to these other countries. These students will become seminary and college presidents, faculty teachers and administrators, denominational and interdenominational church leaders, pastors and teachers—their roles will serve to multiply the efforts of our investment in them.

Through *Our Christian World Mission* you are helping the churches of Asia to provide a Christian "leaven" for their society.

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LET NOT YOUR HEARTS BE TROUBLED

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George Cannon, Choral Director
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

May 9, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Two Antiphons R. Young

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship The Minister
Choral Introit This is the Day...
* Processional 437 "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"
Prayer of Invocation (In unison) (Including a Second Century Prayer from the 'Didache')
O Thou who hast called us and brought us together in this quiet place, be with us in this hour apart. Enlarge our hearts as we feel, with our fathers, the beauty of Thy Church. "Remember, Lord, Thy Church to deliver it from evil and to perfect it in Thy love; and gather it together from the four winds - even the Church which has been sanctified - into Thy kingdom which Thou hast prepared for it."
The Lord's Prayer

THE LIVING WORD
New Testament Reading Hebrews 11-12:2 (Selected)
* The Gloria Patri
Anthems "Built on The Rock The Church Doth Stand"
"Jesus, Refuge of the Weary" Junior Choir
Statement of Faith

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Hear Thou Our Prayer

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Anthem God is Our Strength and Song Peninger
* Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Battle of Alamance Bi-Centennial

SUSTAINING EVENTS

I-CENTENNIAL HEADQUARTERS

424 South Main Street, Burlington, N. C. Phone 226-9366.
Open 9:30 to 5:30 daily except Sundays.

LAMANCE BATTLEGROUND

Allen House and Museum open 9 to 5 daily — 1 to 4 Sunday.

LD FASHIONED BARGAIN DAYS

Spectacular sales by merchants. County-wide. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, only.

ISTORICAL WINDOW DISPLAYS

County-wide "then and now" windows in all business establishments.

DAILY EVENTS

ONDAY, MAY 10 — YOUNG AMERICA DAY

4:00 P.M.—Playground games and activities sponsored by the Burlington Recreation Department. City Park.

7:30 P.M.—Youth entertainment, City Park Field — "The Happenings."

UESDAY, MAY 11 — LADIES DAY (ORANGE COUNTY NIGHT)

"Then and now" fashion show sponsored by Blanchard's. Time and place to be announced.

PRE-SHOW ENTERTAINMENT — WILLIAMS STADIUM

7:30 P.M.—The Graham High School Band.

8:15 P.M.—Orange County will present a brief program.

8:30 P.M.—Premiere Performance of the historical drama, "First for Freedom."

EDNESDAY, MAY 12 — AGRICULTURE AND PARADE DAY (PERSON COUNTY NIGHT)

Exhibits sponsored by 4-H Clubs of Alamance County. "Horsepower for Plowpower" and "Aids for the Homemaker" — Holly Hill Mall.

6:00 P.M.—Bi-Centennial Parade. Downtown Burlington.

PRE-SHOW ENTERTAINMENT — WILLIAMS STADIUM

7:30 P.M.—Western High School Band and Stage Band.

8:15 P.M.—Person County, one of the counties carved from the original Orange County, in a brief program.

8:30 P.M.—Second performance of "First For Freedom."

IURSDAY, MAY 13 — HOMECOMING DAY (DURHAM COUNTY NIGHT)

All Day —Registration of Pioneers, visitors, and former residents. Graham,

All Day —Old Fashioned Bargain Days. County-wide.

10 A.M.-5 P.M.—Antique Auto Exhibit at Williams Stadium.

PRE-SHOW ENTERTAINMENT — WILLIAMS STADIUM

7:30 P.M.—Kiwanis Club Men's Chorus.

8:15 P.M.—Ceremonies honoring Caswell County, one of the original member of Orange County.

8:30 P.M.—Third production of "First For Freedom."

FRIDAY, MAY 14 — BUSINESS AND MERCHANT DAY (CASWELL COUNT NIGHT)

All Day —Old Fashioned Bargain Days. County-wide.

All Day —Open House at certain area businesses and plants.

PRE-SHOW ENTERTAINMENT — WILLIAMS STADIUM

7:00 P.M.—Eastern High School Bands.

7:45 P.M.—Southern High School Bands.

8:15 P.M.—Ceremonies honoring Caswell County, one of the original portions (Orange County.

8:30 P.M.—Fourth Performance of "First For Freedom."

SATURDAY, MAY 15 — OLD FASHIONED BARGAIN DAY FINALE (CHATHAM COUNTY NIGHT)

All Day —Old Fashioned Bargain Days. County-wide.

2:00 P.M.—Old Fashioned Auction of many remaining souvenirs, hats, tie dresses, at Bi-Centennial Headquarters.

PRE-SHOW ENTERTAINMENT — WILLIAMS STADIUM

7:30 P.M.—Old Fashioned Gospel Sing. Jack Cockman, Master of Ceremonie

8:15 P.M.—Ceremony honoring Chatham County, one of the counties carv from Orange. Chatham County will commemorate its Bi-Centenni later in the summer.

8:30 P.M.—Final performance of "First For Freedom."

SUNDAY, MAY 16 — FIRST FOR FREEDOM DAY

3:00 P.M.—Cummings High Band.

3:30 P.M.—First For Freedom Program at Alamance Battleground featuri the Burlington Rotary Boys Choir and North Carolina Govern Robert W. Scott.

8:30 P.M.—Held open for rain-out performance of "First For Freedom," necessary.

TICKET INFORMATION

General admission—$1.50 Reserved Seats—$2.00 Box Seats—$5.

One Advance Coupon may be exchanged for a General Admission Ticket; or f one Reserved Seat with the payment of an additional $ .50.

Coupons may be exchanged for actual tickets at headquarters for best seating, at the gates on performance nights.

Coupons are not exchangeable towards box seats.

There are no children's or student prices and everyone occupying a seat must ha a ticket.

IE SPOKEN WORD

Welcome

Hymns 381 "My Faith, It is an Oaken Staff"

327 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

317 "I Love to Tell the Story"

Address The Battle of Alamance

Mr. George D. Colclough

DING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 300 "Rise Up, O Men of God!"

Benediction The Minister

Choral Response Twofold Amen

Postlude Tocatta in the Style of Scarlatti

R. Young

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COME A cordial welcome is extended each of you as you worship with us this morning. We especially greet and welcome our visitors, asking you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex or one of the "Welcome" cards on the back of each pew. On this Centennial Sunday, we delight in welcoming George Colclough to our pulpit.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. MacDonald, Jr., and Family in memory of Mrs. James B. MacDonald, Sr., and Mrs. John Copeland.

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Happy Mother's Day

6:30 Senior High Youth

7:30 Worship Committee

WEEK Articles for the Torch are due Tuesday morning.....The Christian Education Committee meets Tuesday evening at seven.....The Women's Bible Hour meets Wednesday Noon with Mrs. W. T. Scott.... Saturday is Homecoming Day at the Elon Home For Children.

RATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. David M. McLelland (and Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Marsh McLelland) upon the birth of Timothy Marsh McLelland on May 4.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

May 9, 19

Festival of the Christian Home

John 14:1-1

Not be troubled about what? Who can face today's world and not b troubled? John's Gospel here points to the hearts of disciples trouble over Jesus' death and departure from them. His words of assurance lea to a surprising affirmation. He leaves them, not to prepare a place f them in some celestial heaven but to prepare to make his home in the on earth (verse 23). What a word of assurance! Why "not be troubled" Because he is with us by his Spirit in the midst of our trouble. We mu decide whether we will let him make his home in our homes.

PASTORS' SALARIES

All too often pastors get an increase in salary only if something r mains in the budget after "necessary expenses" have been paid, accor ing to a recent study of pastors' salaries. In frontier America, chur members gave the manse an occasional "pounding"—bringing in fo and clothing supplements for the pastor's family. In modern Ameri a pastor must purchase and pay for what his household requires, even do the lay members for what they need.

The members of most congregations, however, expect their pastor subsist upon less then they themselves require. In 1969, the med salary for ministers with college and theological seminary degrees w $8,472 (including manse or housing allowance), while laymen with co parable education were paid $13,520. Ministers with college educati only earned a median salary of $5,979 contrasted with the $10,9 earned by college trained laymen.

A pastor's "dedication" can never excuse a congregation fr paying him an adequate salary. Justice and simple fairness require t the pastor receive a salary commensurate with his needs and then annual increase at least equal to the increase in the cost of living.

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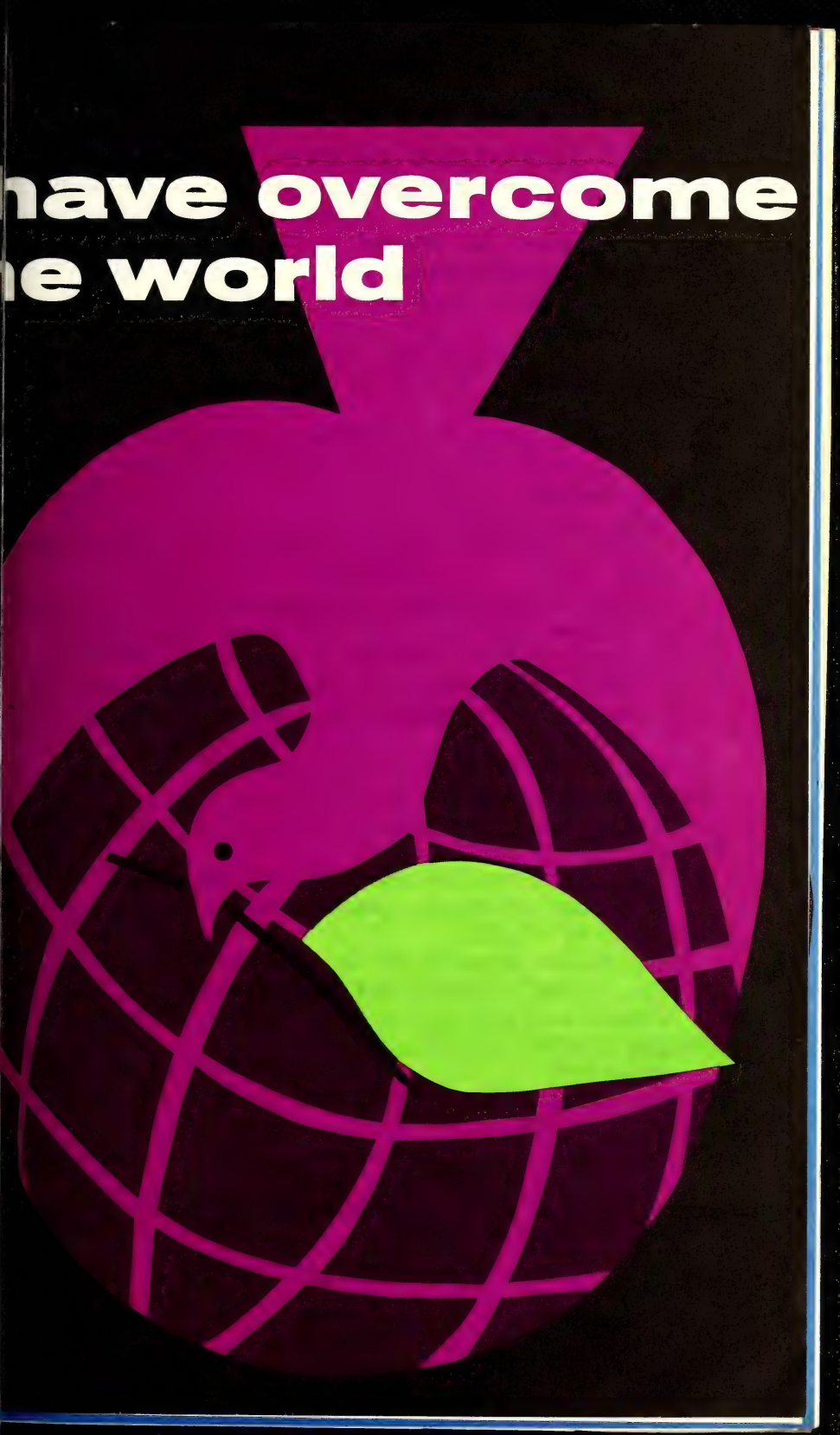
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PRELUDE Festal Song F. Bingham

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit Gracious God, I Come Before Thee
* Hymn 6 "O Worship the King"
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
O Lord our God, come very near to us today. Free us from fear and doubt and guilt and help us to walk with thee in faith. In this hour, may we personally renew our consecration to thee.
The Lord's Prayer

THE LIVING WORD
New Testament Reading John 16:23-33
* The Gloria Patri
The Anthem "For You Shall Go Out in Joy" K. Newbury
Statement of Faith (in unison)

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
Choral Response Threefold Amen

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Pastorale C. Franck
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

THE SPOKEN WORD
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 382 "Onward Christian Soldiers" (stanzas 1,3,4)
Sermon Salty Christians

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn 245 "Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me"

* Benediction

* Choral Response — Sevenfold Amen

* Postlude Allemande und Sarabande — M. Waeckmann

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TODAY
6:30 Senior High Youth
7:30 Outreach Committee
7:30 Stewardship-Missionary Education Committee

THE BOARD OF DEACONS will meet briefly at the pulpit following the Service of Worship this morning.

NEXT SUNDAY we will combine Church School and Church Worship in order that those who so desire can attend the Baccalaureate Service in Memorial Gymnasium. Our Service will begin at 9:30 and will conclude by 10:15. Our graduating high school seniors will be recognized at this Service.

OUR THANKS go to Mr. George Cannon for his faithful service during the past year as our choral director. We shall miss George and Susan.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **May 16, 1971**

Rural Life Sunday **John 16:25-33**

Overcome the world? Where is the evidence? Maybe, as the freedom song says, "We shall overcome . . . someday." In a world of strife and inhumanity, the dove of peace seems an empty symbol. Yet John's Gospel declares: "I *have* overcome the world." The verse does not promise a world without "tribulation," but it does proclaim that into a troubled world a love has come which is stronger than hate. Hate can crush and kill, but it cannot win our allegiance. God's deed of love for us all can win our allegiance, overcome tribulation and give us peace.

HAPPINESS IS A ROOF OVER YOUR HEAD

"It was awful!" G. B. Singh, the wizened village elder explained. "The rain just kept coming down. The streams filled and overflowed. When the night was over, many of our homes were gone, simply vanished!" Immediate aid to the flooded area in western India was sent by CASA, the Christian agency for Social Action, Relief and Development. Tons of grains, quantities of clothing, blankets and medical supplies were distributed by teams of volunteers. But homes, too, were needed for the flood-ravaged Surat area, so CASA sent a check for 128,332 rupees for the construction of some 40 apartments. Appropriately enough the new area is called CASAnagar.

CASA's 18 full-time and 1,200 volunteer staff annually serve between 2 and 3 million persons. Through your support of *Our Christian World Mission* you enable the United Church Board for World Ministries to join our fellow Christians in India in supporting CASA's many projects of emergency relief and rehabilitation.

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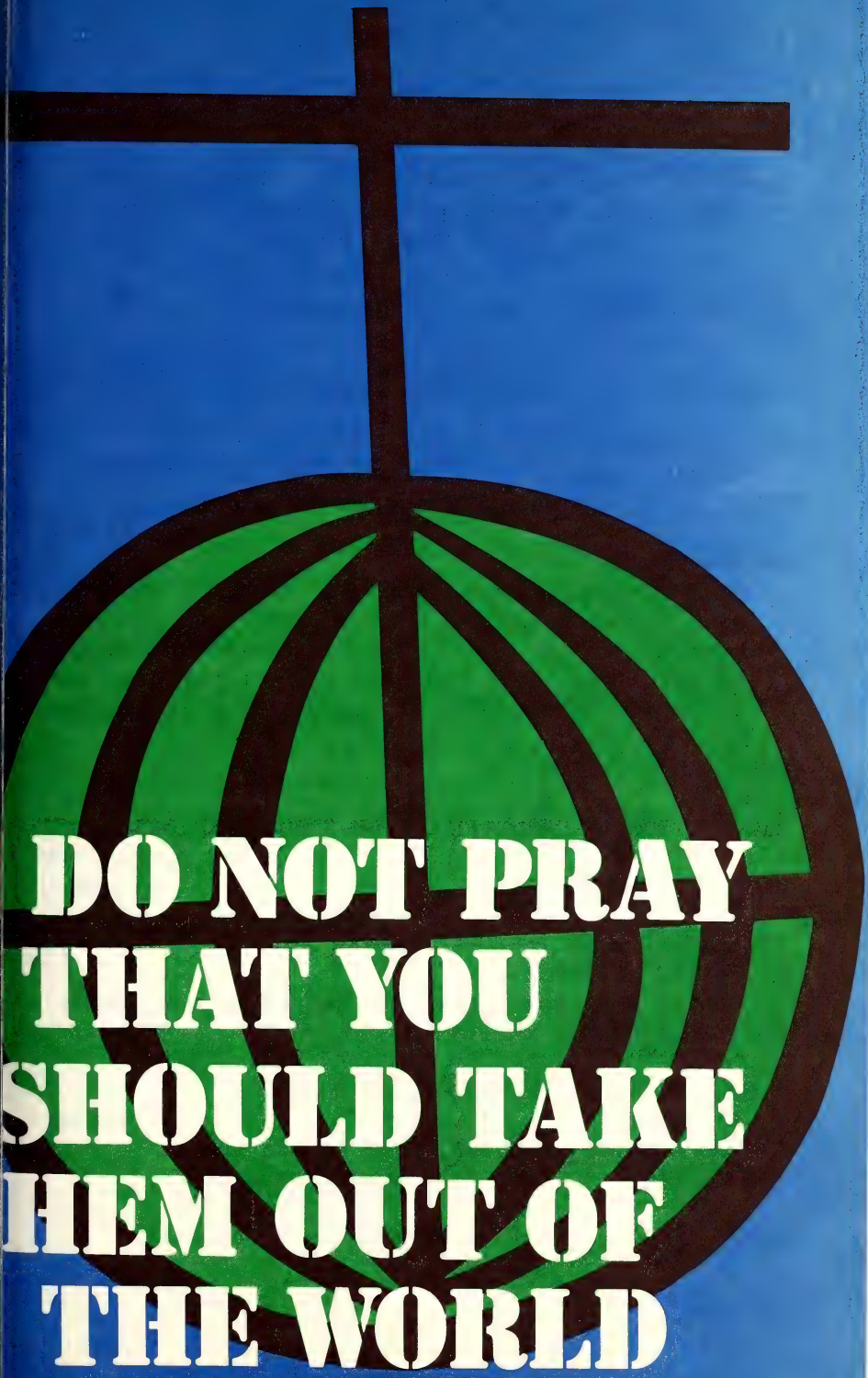
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United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina

Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone: 584-9294
Mrs. A. B. Gminder, Interim Choral Director
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

May 23, 1971 9:30 A.M.

PRELUDE Andante Cantabile G. Tartini

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Praise Ye the Lord
*HYMN 35 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"
(stanzas 1-4)

*UNISON PRAYER
Open our eyes, O God, unto the light of the world; open our minds to the mind of Christ; open our hearts unto thy love; open our souls unto faith. So unite us, heart and mind, in our worship, for we gather in the name of Christ our Lord in whose name we pray:
*THE LORD'S PRAYER

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS
Mr. A. M. Primm
NEW TESTAMENT READING Romans 12
* The Gloria Patri
THE LITANY WITH PERSONAL PRAYER
Pastor's Prayer
Choral Response Keep this Prayer in our Hearts
THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory Aria F. Peeters
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
MEDITATION The Word of Trust

*HYMN 353 "Lord, I Want to be a Christian"

A LITANY WITH PERSONAL PRAYER

Pastor: Jesus said: "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life."

People: To the best of my ability, I will follow His way, believe the truth He taught, and live the life he lived. (Silent Prayer)

Pastor: "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."

People: I will live the sympathetic life, because it gives me the healing touch for the distress of others' hearts, the comfort for others' sorrows, and the cheer for others' discouragement. (Silent Prayer)

Pastor: "Let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing."

People: I will practice patience. I will be patient with the faults of others and with my own strivings for virtuous living.
(Silent Prayer)

Pastor: "I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content.

People: I will practice the spirit of contentment. I will not be envious, jealous, nor petulant, I will strive for the best in every situation, and will be content with the best possible returns. (Silent Prayer)

Pastor: "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."

People: I will practice fidelity in thought and action. I will be trustworthy. I will be true to my tasks, to my obligations to my fellow men, and to my vows to God. (Silent Prayer)

Pastor: "In Thee, O God, do I hope, and let me not be ashamed of my hope.

People: I will not fear nor despair. I will be hopeful. I will trust God and love my fellowmen with all my heart.

NEDICTION

Choral Response Let Thy Word Abide in Us

STLUDE Finale from Sonata No. 3 F. Mendelssohn

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*Congregation will stnad

ORDIAL WELCOME is extended to all who worship with us today. Expecially we greet and welcome the visitors among us, requesting you to sign the guest register in the Narthex.

SERVICE TODAY is held early in order that our people can attend the Elon College Baccalaureate at 11:00 o'clock in Memorial Gymnasium. The Commencement Program is at three o'clock. We will return to our regular schedule of Church School at 9:45 and Church Worship at 11:00 next Sunday.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Lankford in memory of their daughter, Marsha.

RECOGNIZE with pride the following members of our church who are graduating from area high schools: Mary Ann Butler, Janet Cheek, Ned Danieley, Carolyn Greene, Charlotte Hughes, Michelle Hutchins, Beth McCauley, Nancy Pendergrass, Caryl Schmidt, Rita Snyder, Lawrence Wallace, and Jimmy Wells.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM is administered today to John Guy Davis III and Michael Patrick Davis, sons of Mrs. Frances Sanderson Davis and great grandsons of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dawson.

WOMEN'S BIBLE HOUR will meet Wednesday at 12 Noon with Mrs. James MacDonald.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH will meet at 6:30 this evening.

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **May 23, 197**

John 17:1-1

Escape from the world? It is not a Christian option. Jesus' prayer i John's Gospel makes that quite clear. The life of the world is the obje of Christian action. Christians together are called *from the world t the world* as a means to consecrate it, to make it whole. But we nee deliverance from our failure "to get ourselves together." A love that lacking within will never be convincing without. Jesus calls for a unit among his followers that will be convincing in reflecting God's love fo the world.

A NEW STANCE FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE

When the Warbuck Flotilla, a rock group from a nearby colleg finished its performance in the sanctuary of the chapel at Bethan Children's Home in rural Womelsdorf, Pennsylvania, some conservativ pastors shook their heads as if to say, "What's a nice old church institu tion like this trying to do anyway?"

What Bethany Children's Home was trying to do in a one-day speci session for nearly 175 ministers from three neighboring United Churc of Christ conferences was to help create a new understanding of th youth generation, to identify what the church is doing and is not doin for youth, and to explore what it can do to bridge the generation ga This is a new and somewhat self-conscious stance for a staid old healt and welfare institution like Bethany. Since its founding in 1863, Bethan has directed its efforts to helping youth and children. At first most them were "orphans" but more recently most of them have been—fo a wide variety of reasons—wards of the courts. In addition to givin them a home (Bethany has ten cottage living-groups on a large tre shaded campus) this church institution has provided educational, psych logical and spiritual care. Many of its graduates have gone on to succes ful careers.

Today, however, Bethany and many other of our church-relate health and welfare institutions see a responsibility not only to the residents and to the society at large, but also to the church. And th church needs all the help it can get today to understand what is goin on with youth—not just the young people who are already part of th church family, but those outside who don't "dig" what the church is a about.

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He will give you another counselor to be with you forever.

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May 30, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Now Rest Beneath Night's Shadows
F. Peeters

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Let us ask the blessing of the Lord to be upon us today.

People: May the love and grace of God impel us to share the good news of His love for all people.

Unison: By the power of God, may we become channels through which His love and grace may flow.

Choir: "Praise Ye the Lord"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 64 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

PSALTER READING 90 Psalm 90 P. 529

ANTHEM Christ is Made the Sure Foundation D. Wood

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 2 (Selected)

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Keep This Prayer....

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 269 "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

THE OFFERING

Offertory Solo Dr. Rolland Hurst

* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

* Prayer of Dedication

ERMON What Does This Mean?

YMN OF DEDICATION 341 "Dear Lord and Father"

ENEDICTION
Congregational Response The Doxology
OSTLUDE O God, Thou Faithful God F. Peeters

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CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Visitors are asked to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex. Especially we welcome as offertory soloist Dr. Rolland Hurst of Fresno State College, Fresno, California and son of Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Hurst.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Snyder in honor of all the Seniors of Western High School.

AY 7:00 Board of the Women's Fellowship
8:00 Western High School Baccalaureate

PUBLIC HEALTH CLINIC will meet in the Parish House Tuesday afternoon from two until four o'clock.

CHURCH is host to the Sixth Annual Meeting of the Southern Conference on June 8,9. The choir for this occasion will hold a special rehearsal Tuesday evening at eight o'clock.

T SUNDAY, an informal, get-acquainted "Coffee-Hour" will follow our Morning Service. We hope the whole congregation will plan to remain for a few minutes of fellowship.

ICLES for the Torch are due by Tuesday morning.

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PENTECOST **May 30, 1971**

John 14:15-26

The festival of Pentecost celebrates the beginning of the public life of the church, and of its missionary activity. Before the gift of the Holy Spirit was made to the disciples, the church was limited to a small group of people who had been with Jesus during his life-time on earth. After Pentecost, the church began to fulfill the commission given to it by its risen Lord: to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth. However willing those disciples may have been to undertake that task, it could not begin until God's Spirit came upon them. That means that the church does not owe its origin to human thought or activity primarily. It owes its existence to God's activity through his Holy Spirit. For that reason, the church can never live for itself, or call attention solely to itself, or be satisfied with itself. Rather, it must point to God as its Lord, to whom it owes its life.

It also means that, in the most significant sense, the church is not under our control. We may be able to warp or distort it, but we cannot completely determine what it is to be. How often we are tempted to try to make the church into a comforting, rather than a challenging reality. How often we seek to make the church serve our purpose, rather than God's. How often we want the church to exist for our benefit instead of existing as a channel through which we can benefit others. Because the church is God's church, such attempts must ultimately fail. And therein lies the hope for the church!

—*Dr. Paul J. Achtemeier*
Professor of New Testament
Lancaster Theological Seminary
Lancaster, Pennsylvania

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Commencement Program

Elon College Weekday Kindergarten

THE PARISH HOUSE

ELON COLLEGE, N. C.

Tuesday, June 1, 1971 — 7:30 P.M.

THE PROGRAM

PROCESSIONAL	The Children Presenting May Baskets
INVOCATION	Rev. Thomas R. Hamilton
RELIGION	
"Jesus Loves Me"	Kristy Sharp
"How Did Moses Cross the Red Sea"	Greg Daugherty Glenda Younger Mark Poythress
FAMILY	
"Family - This is the Mother..."	Vondie Hammons
"These are Grandmother's Glasses"	André Wilkins Lacy Haith Curt Johnson
SAFETY	
"Stop, Look and Listen"	Beth Barbee
"Red says Stop"	Heather Mitchell Rod Williamson
NUMBERS	
"Five Little Soldiers"	Bill Blanchard
"Two Little Apples"	Michael Thompson
"Five Little Jack-O-Lanterns"	Stephen Lovesy
NATURE	
"Bee Hive"	Angie Whitesell
"Turtle"	Robert Truitt
"Itsy Bitsy Spider"	Pat Farrell Jimmy Butler
PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES	Mrs. E. S. Lankford
BENEDICTION	The Children

USHERS

Kathy Sharp Cindy Koontz

ELON COLLEGE WEEKDAY KINDERGARTEN
CLASS OF 1970 - 1971

Beth Barbee
Bill Blanchard
Jimmy Butler
Greg Daugherty
Pat Farrell
Lacy Haith
Vondie Hammons
Curt Johnson
Stephen Lovesy
Heather Mitchell
Mark Poythress
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ELON COLLEGE WEEKDAY KINDERGARTEN COMMITTEE

Mrs. E. S. Lankford — Chairman

Mrs. Bill Blanchard — Treasurer

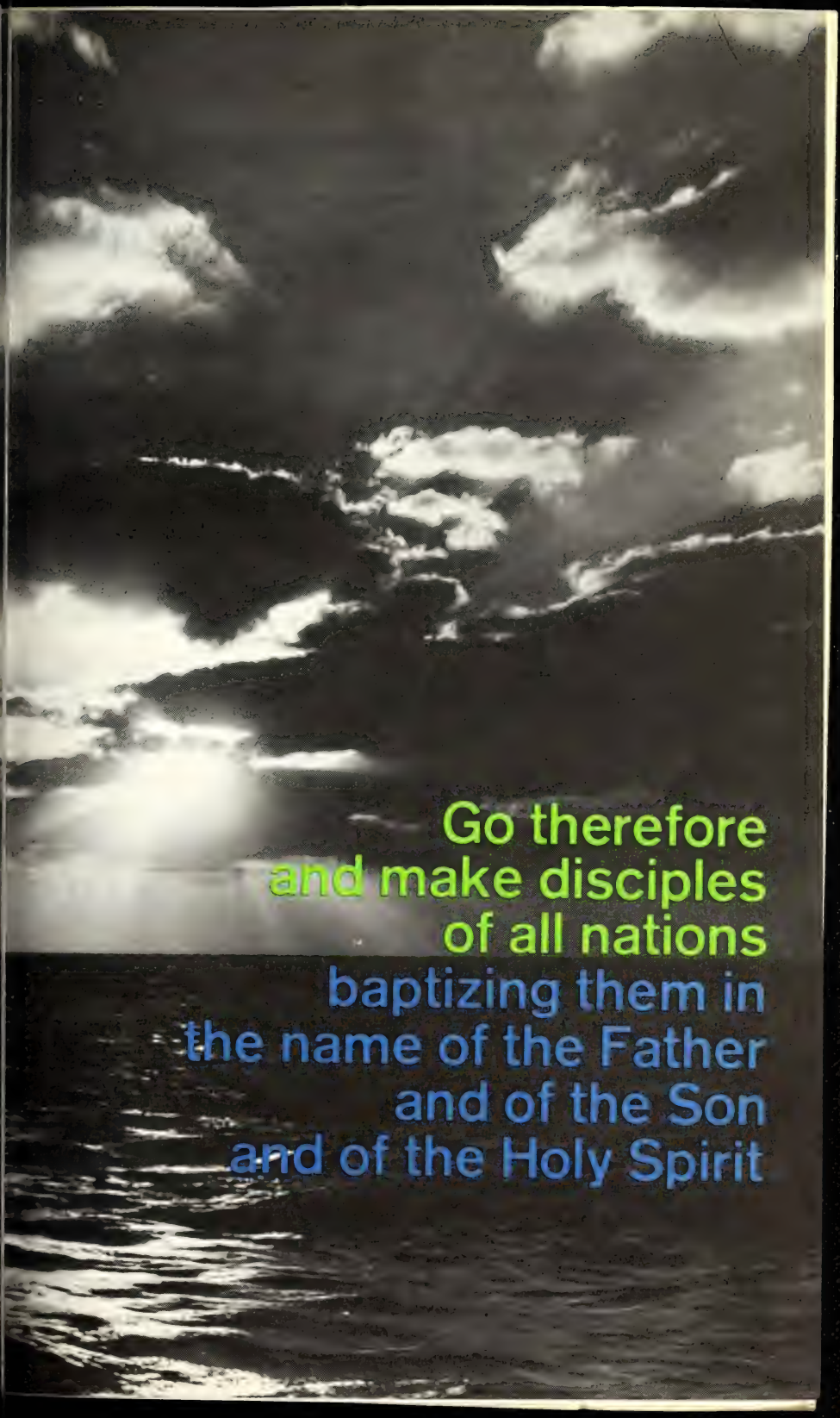
Mrs. Richard Lovesy

Mrs. Owen Sharp

Mrs. Worden Updyke

KINDERGARTEN TEACHER

Mrs. Wallace Hughes


Go therefore
and make disciples
of all nations
baptizing them in
the name of the Father
and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit

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June 6, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Priere Boellmann

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein.

People: For it was he who founded it upon the seas and planted it firm upon the waters beneath.

Unison: Praise the name of the Lord.

Choir: "Praise Ye the Lord"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 1 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

PSALTER READING 95 Psalm 100 P. 531

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 5:17-42

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

The Choral Response "Have Mercy Upon Me, O God"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 66 "For the Beauty of the Earth" (stanzas 1-4)

THE OFFERING

Anthem Immortal, Invisible, God Thiman

* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON <u>If this Plan is of God...</u>
Acts 5:39

HYMN OF DEDICATION 365 "Faith of Our Fathers"

BENEDICTION

Congregational Response The Doxology

POSTLUDE Postludium Liszt

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HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Dr. and Mrs. N. F. Brannock by the Family.

OLLOWING THE SERVICE, an informal, get-acquainted "Coffee-Hour" will be held in the Parish House. Mrs. Oxford and Mrs. MacDonald are hostesses.

HE ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE of the Magnolia Memorial Association is this afternoon at four o'clock at Magnolia Cemetery.

HE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE meets here on Tuesday and Wednesday. Rev. James Hargett will preach at the Worship Service on Tuesday evening at eight o'clock. The congregation is invited.

EXT SUNDAY, the Sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated and new members received. Others who are interested are asked to contact the Pastor early this week.

HE CHOIR will rehearse Wednesday evening at 7:30. An open invitation is extended to all who will assist in this ministry of music.

HE DEACONS will meet this evening at 7:30.

TRINITY SUNDAY **June 6, 197**

The Great Commission: What audacity!
How preposterous to make all nations Jesus' disciples!
Why not just let people be?
Because Jesus belongs not to the church but to the world.
Not for Christian domestication,
He comes as the fulfillment of God's promise to Abraham:
"In you *all the families of the earth* will be blessed."
In him the depth of God's love for the world
Is climactically declared to be universally shared.
His disciples are not firstly church members but world citizens.
To be baptized in the name of the Father—
To enter into God's *creative work* as carers of the earth;
Of the Son—to share his *healing love* as servants in his human family;
Of the Holy Spirit—to embody his *present power*
As ambassadors of his new world.
The Great Commission: Imperialism!
No! Ecumenism that cares enough to share God's very best.

Dr. Paul L. Hammer
Professor of New Testament
Colgate Rochester/Bexley Hall
Crozer Theological Seminary
Rochester, New York

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THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP

for

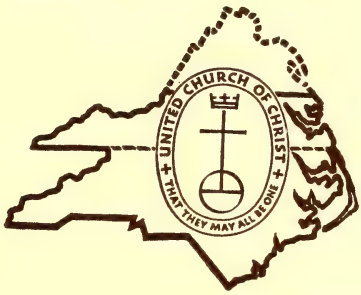
THE SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING

of

THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

of the

United Church of Christ



TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 8, 1971

Seven-thirty o'clock

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Elon College, North Carolina

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Singing of Hymns

The Prelude — "Pastorale" ..... R. Purvis

*The Call to Worship

*Hymn—"Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound"

1. Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

3. Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe so far,
And grace will lead me home.

4. When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun. Amen.

*The Invocation and Lord's Prayer

The Reading from Scripture

Anthem — "Gloria" ..... Mozart

The Evening Prayers

The Offering

The Offertory — "I've Been 'Buked" ..... Johnson

*The Doxology

*The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Preaching of the Sermon

*The Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God, the Eternal Spirit, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Father, and to his deeds we testify:

He calls the worlds into being,
creates man in his own image
and sets before him the ways of life and death.

He seeks in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

He judges men and nations by his righteous will
declared through prophets and apostles.

In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Lord,
he has come to us and shared our common lot,
conquering sin and death
and reconciling the world to himself.

He bestows upon us his Holy Spirit,
creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ,
binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues and races.

He calls us into his church
to accept the cost and joy of discipleship,
to be his servants in the service of men,
to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil,
to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,
to join him in his passion and victory.

He promises to all who trust him
forgiveness of sin and fullness of grace,
courage in the struggle for justice and peace,
his presence in trial and rejoicing,
and eternal life in his kingdom, which has no end.

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto him. Amen.

*Hymn — "Jesus Calls Us"

1. Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult
Of our life's wild restless sea,
Day by day His sweet voice soundeth,
Saying, "Christian, follow Me."

2. Jesus calls us from the worship
Of the vain world's golden store,
From each idol that would keep us,
Saying, "Christian, love me more."

3. In our joys and in our sorrows,
Days of toil, and hours of ease,
Still He calls in cares and pleasures,
"Christian, love me more than these."

4. Jesus calls us; by Thy mercies,
Savior, may we hear Thy call,
Give our hearts to Thine obedience,
Serve and love Thee best of all. Amen.

*Commission —

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no man evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all men; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

*The Benediction

The Postlude

* Congregation standing

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Liturgists:

The Rev. Clyde L. Fields, Associate Conference Minister for the Eastern North Carolina Area of the Southern Conference

The Rev. Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor, Elon College Community Church, United Church of Christ

The Rev. James H. Lightbourne, Jr., Conference Minister, Southern Conference of the United Church of Christ

The Preacher:

The Rev. James H. Hargett, Secretary for Black Ministries, Council for Church and Ministry of the United Church of Christ

Choir Director and Song Leader:

Willis Gray, Choir Director of the Ebenezer United Church of Christ, Burlington, N. C.

Organist:

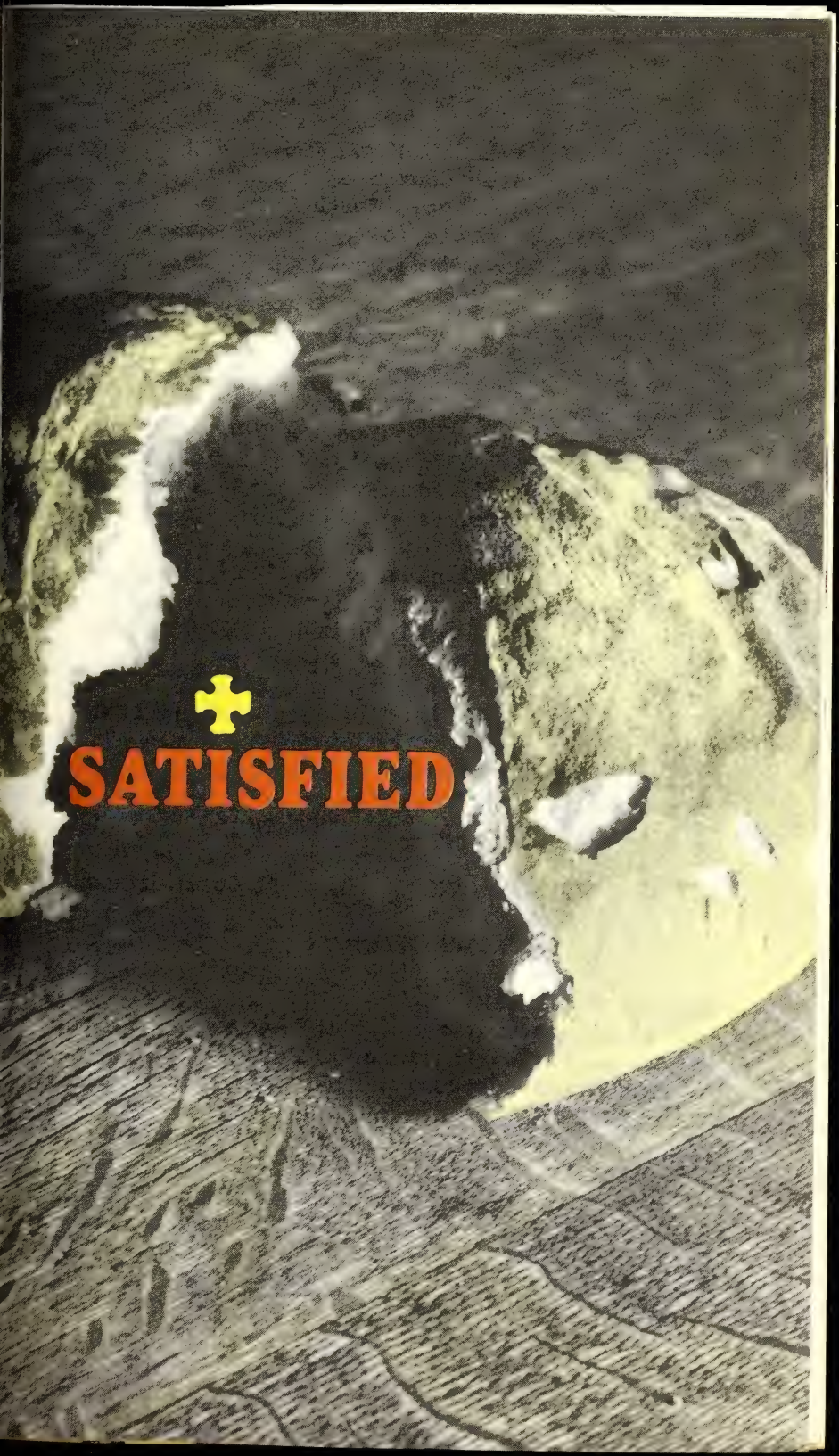
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist, Elon College Community Church

The Choir:

The choir for the service is composed of choir members from United Church of Christ congregations in the area

FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Dr. and Mrs. J. Earl Danieley invite you to a period of fellowship and refreshment following the evening service.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Mrs. A. B. Gminder, Guest Organist

June 13, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE The Lamb of God J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 13:56 Dr. J. G. Truitt

Pastor: O Lord, we have trusted in thy mercy; our hearts shall rejoice in thy salvation.

People: We will sing to the Lord, because he has dealt bountifully with us.

Choir: The Lord is in His Holy Temple

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 328 "The Lord is Rich and Merciful"

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS
The Sacrament of Baptism P. 499
PSALTER READING 104 Psalm 130 P. 536

NEW TESTAMENT READING II Corinthians 1:3-10

SOLO The Lord's Prayer Miss Sara Draper

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response "Have Mercy Upon Me, O God"
CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 84 "The Lord's My Shepherd"
THE OFFERING
Offertory Jesus Christ, God's Son J. S. Bach
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee but Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication
SERMON Out of the Depths
Psalm 130:1

MN 217 "Lord of All Hopefulness"

NEDICTION

Congregational Response The Doxology

STLUDE Fugue in C Major D. Buxtehude

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ORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Visitors are asked to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex or a visitor's card on the back of each pew. We especially welcome Dr. J. G. Truitt as Liturgist and Miss Sara Draper as soloist of the morning.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mrs. G. C. Crutchfield and Family in memory of Mr. G. C. Crutchfield, Jr.

EIVED as a new member today is Mrs. David McLelland. The Sacrament of Baptism is administered to Timothy Marsh McLelland, son of Mr. and Mrs. David McLelland and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. D. Marsh McLelland.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP Quarterly Meeting is tomorrow evening at 6:30 at the Parish House. Please bring a covered dish; beverage will be provided.

CHURCH COUNCIL meets next Sunday evening at 7:30.

TICLES for The Torch are due in the Secretary's office by Tuesday morning.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH will meet this evening at five o'clock at the Parish House to go to Moonelon for a swimming party.

SATISFIED

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **June 13, 1971**

Mark 6:30-44

What is it that satisfies you most deeply? Is it not a compassionate sharing of life with life that "feeds" our hunger for what is genuinely personal? For the Gospel writers the feeding narratives do not simply tell a story of Jesus' satisfying of physical hunger in the past. They proclaim and celebrate his sharing of himself as "the bread of life" in the present. Physical hunger today is overwhelmingly real. It calls for bread made of wheat. Yet our deeper hunger cries out for more: a bread made of spirit and flesh. Yes, His Spirit in our flesh.

WEST SIDE STORY TODAY

Once the Manhattan neighborhood was called "Hell's Kitchen." Later, "West Side Story" brought its street-gang life to the Broadway stage. Today, Lincoln Center sits in what used to be the center of the neighborhood, and the limousines of opera-goers speed through the streets. Old tenements remain in the vicinity, however, and so do two Protestant congregations—the Good Shepherd-Faith Presbyterian Church and the Broadway United Church of Christ. The latter congregation worships in the Roman Catholic Church of St. Paul the Apostle.

These two Protestant congregations, feeling that they share a common "style" of Christian life, yet desiring to carry on their distinct missions, are related in a three-point ecumenical program. "Festival services" are held jointly several times a year with colorful banners in procession and special music. Living-room dialogues enable the members of the congregations to build Christian fellowship at the personal level. Finally, these two Protestant churches, together with St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church, are ministering to the predominantly Irish and Puerto Rican neighborhood, combating particularly the encroachment of hard-drug pushers and land speculators. And so the West Side Story continues.

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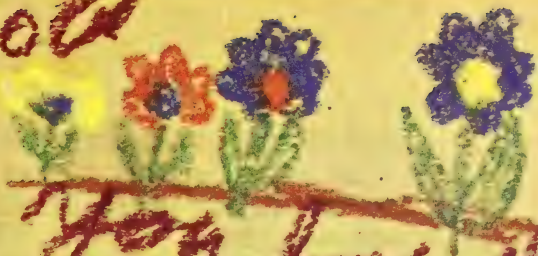

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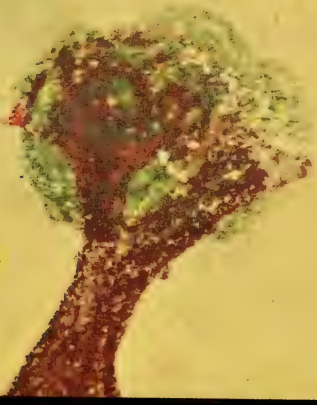

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Mrs. Cynthia Coker, Junior Choir Director

June 20, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Two Versicles Van Hulse

CALL TO WORSHIP Isaiah 40:31

Pastor: They who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,

People: they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall march on and never grow faint.

Choir: Praise Ye the Lord

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 372 "How Firm a Foundation"

PSALTER READING 99 Psalm 107 P. 533

ANTHEM Sing to the Lord with Cheerful Voice
C. P. E. Bach

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 7:1-10

SERVICE OF PRAYER

Choral Invitation Let All Mortal Flesh....

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 77 "Be Still, My Soul" (stanzas 1,2)

THE OFFERING

Anthems Dedication Junior Choir
Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Mixed Faith
Luke 7:9

357 "Strong Son of God"

DICTION
ongregational Response The Doxology
LUDE Tocatta in G J. S. Bach

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LTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in onor of Patricia and Robin Woody on their first edding Anniversary today, by Mr. and Mrs. Walter . Perry, Jr. and Family.

6:00 Family Softball at college field
7:30 Church Council

OMEN'S SUMMER CONFERENCE is June 22-24 at Catawba ollege. Mrs. Danieley and Mrs. Truitt will be ttending and invite others to go with them.

AL SYNOD opens Thursday in Grand Rapids, Michigan. mong those attending will be Dr. J. E. Danieley, r. Clyde Fields, and Judge D. Marsh McLelland.

ION CHURCH SCHOOL has been set for August 9-13. ssistant teachers are still needed in a couple epartments. Please volunteer your services to iss Ruth Dunn or the Pastor.

ACRAMENT of Holy Communion will be celebrated ere next Sunday.

CATIONS for Summer Camp are available in the astor's Study.

SUCH FAITH!

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **June 20, 197**

Luke 7:1-1

The grateful faith of a little child! The cover is meant to be related t Jesus' words about the Roman officer: "not even in Israel have I foun such faith." It is the contrast between "adult" Israel and the "young Gentile world. A generation gap! Where is it that Jesus finds faith today Is it in those of us adults who regard ourselves as "pillars of the church, as good religious people who feel quite worthy of Jesus' commendation Or is it in those "little ones" who bring empty hands, a trusting heart, an a vision of a healed earth?

WOMEN'S LIBERATION IN GHANA

Until recently in parts of Northern Ghana the women in some villages spent six to eight hours each day just walking to and from the nearest source of water five or six miles away. United Church Board for World Ministries missionary Bob Thelin, whose specialty is animal husbandry, saw the need clearly. Until there was enough food for animals there could be no livestock. And until there were reliable sources of water, there could be no surplus food. The need was to develop water resources, both earthen dams which would trap water in the rainy season and wells close-by which would supply the villages and would also free the women of the tribe from the drudgery of their daily hunt for water.

A couple of years ago, thanks to friends in America, a bulldozer was purchased to use in building earthen dams for the waterholes and stock-ponds. Then last year, in a cooperative effort with Roman Catholics in the area, we began to help the Ghanaian villagers with well-digging projects. These became community-wide efforts. The people themselves helped pay for the blasting which was needed and for the well-casings. And they themselves did the digging and clearing out debris. The work was slow with the hand tools available and often took several months to complete.

Today, the results are beginning to show. Water from the wells is close by, and it is clean. While it is too early yet to comment on the contribution this may make to the village economy and agriculture, there has been an immediate beneficial effect on village health. And "Women's Lib," in the form of freedom from needless drudgery, has started to come to Northern Ghana.

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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
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Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone: 584-9294
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

June 27, 1971 11:00 A.M

PRELUDE Vocalise Rachmaninof

CALL TO WORSHIP

Choral Introit Open now thy gates of beauty. Zion, let me enter there, where my soul in joyful duty waits for him who answers prayer. O how blessed is this place, filled with solace, light and grace!

*HYMN 251 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

*UNISON PRAYER

O Lord our God, in joyfulness we recognize your leading of our lives. As a company of seekers, we are grateful for these moments to turn our thoughts from ourselves to your wonderful presence with us. In devotion we offer the prayer our Master taught his disciples:

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

READING OF PSALM 23 P. 51

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 5:17-2

* Gloria Patri

SERVICE OF PRAYER

Choral Invitation Let All Mortal Flesh...
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayers for the People

MEDITATION Thou Art With Me

THE OFFERING

Offertory Holy Spirit of Love A. Schreine
* Cong. Response We Give Thee But Thine Own
* Prayer of Dedication

THEM Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts H. Oliver

E SERVICE OF COMMUNION
The Invitation of Christ
Communion Collect
General Confession (in unison) Hymnal, P. 495
Assurance of Pardon
Words of Institution
Distribution of the Elements
Thanksgiving
MN 60 "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name"

NEDICTION
Congregational Response The Doxology
STLUDE Depart with Holy Communion R. Purvis

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*Congregation will stand

HOLY COMMUNION is served today to all confirmed members of Christ's church. We celebrate "open communion", inviting all professing Christians to join us in this Sacrament of faith.

CONGRATULATIONS to Douglas C. Williams and Elizabeth Ellen Barney whose Service of Marriage was celebrated here yesterday afternoon.

PASTOR AND FAMILY will be on vacation from June 28 to July 11. In any emergency or need, pastoral service will be provided if you call the church office or Mrs. J. Mark McAdams. Our guest minister next Sunday is Dr. William T. Scott.

TICLES for The Torch are due in the church office by Tuesday morning.

ILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDES for July - August are available on the Narthex Table.

First be reconciled to your brother

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **June 27, 1971**

Matthew 5:17-26

Fights and bad will in a congregation: how phony they make the church look! Matthew reflects the same problem and brings Jesus' words about reconciliation. In substance he says: "Don't come to worship God until you have made peace with your brother." Worship without reconciliation is phony. What worship intends to be is the celebration of reconciliation both between God and man and between man and his brother. In early Christian history non-Christians sometimes said: "Look at the Christians, how they love one another." Where is it happening now?

NOURISHING THE ROOTS OF FAITH

One of the primary purposes of Christian education is the communication of the gospel of Jesus Christ in such a way that the roots of faith may be established and nourished. This is a task which calls for participation by many people—teachers, parents, church school officers, Christian education committees, directors of Christian education, pastors, and national agencies of the church.

For the roots to be nourished, each group in the educational enterprise has tasks to perform:

- Teachers can use classroom resources of all kinds to encourage learning.
- Parents who are not teachers can confirm what is taught through their own loving family relationships.
- Church school officers and directors of Christian education can support and facilitate formal learning activities.
- Pastors can be conscious of education which takes place in "non-educational" church activities.
- National agencies of the church can provide resources on training opportunities.

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July 4, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Canzona J. Kerll

CALL TO WORSHIP Isaiah 40:31

Pastor: They who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,

People: They shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall march on and never grow faint.

Introit: In Thy Temple, Lord, Awaiting

PRAYER OF INVOCATION and THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 440 "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

PSALTER READING 64 Psalm 8 P. 515

SCRIPTURE LESSON I Peter 2:1-5,9-17

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

*HYMN 437 "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"

THE OFFERING

Offertory Solo "How Beautiful Are The Feet" Handel
Mrs. Maurine Gminder

* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Preserving Our Inheritance Dr. W. T. Scott

*HYMN 366 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

NEDICTION

Congregational Response The Doxology

STLUDE Allemande M. Weckmann

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*Congregation will stand

ORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Visitors are asked to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex or a Visitor's Card on the back of each pew. Return often.

DELIGHT in the return of Dr. William T. Scott to our pulpit today. Dr. Scott is former Superintendent of the Southern Convention and a member of this congregation. Our Pastor's Family is on vacation but may be reached in any emergency or need by calling the church office or Mrs. J. Mark McAdams. Our Guest Minister next Sunday is Dr. William Elzey.

CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to Mrs. Howard P. Bozarth and Family upon the death of Rev. Howard P. Bozarth, on July 1, 1971.

FEE HOUR in the Parish House will follow the Morn- Service today. Hostesses are Mrs. Kate McAdams and Mrs. Virginia Richardson. Members and friends are encouraged to remain for coffee and informal conversation.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of the Women's Fellowship and Circle Chairmen will meet this evening at 8:30 in the Upper Junior Room. This is a very important meeting.

IR will not rehearse during the month of July on Wednesday. However the choir will continue to meet at 10:30 each Sunday morning in the choir room.

INVITE AS MANY AS YOU FIND

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **July 4, 1971**

Matthew 22:1-11

The Declaration of Independence is not just a declaration of *freedom from* but a *freedom for* establishing the "unalienable rights" of all. In words engraved on the Statue of Liberty, it is a freedom that declares: "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to be free." It expresses in political terms the spirit of God's declaration: "Invite as many as you find." In the parable the "*freedom-from*" people rejected the invitation and were destroyed. How much do we accept the call to a *freedom for* God's "unalienable rights" for all?

COMPASSIONATE AND WISE

When it comes to helping people who are recipients of public welfare funds or those who are in need of welfare assistance, the church must be compassionate and also wise! Some months ago, the Seattle Ecumenical Metropolitan Ministry, with the support of the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries, responded to meet a welfare crisis in that city. Public Assistance funds had been suddenly cut. The crisis came to a head when over 100 men met at the First Avenue Service Center in fear and anger because of unemployment, welfare cuts, and impending winter weather. Five men had actually died the winter before from cold and starvation.

The Ecumenical Metropolitan Ministry helped representatives of the men approach the Mayor of Seattle and the Governor of the State of Washington, and they were successful in gaining emergency short term grants for food and lodging through the worst of the approaching winter. When this emergency aid ran out there were still between 250 and 300 people on the street, uncared for and unemployed. The task of the Seattle Ecumenical Metropolitan Ministry is yet unfinished. In helping the disadvantaged to use existing channels the church was showing its wisdom.

Nationally, our United Church Board for Homeland Ministries has made support of "welfare rights" one of its major priorities for the coming year. How does your community rate in its care for welfare recipients? Are you compassionate, yet smart?

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THE SON MAKES YOU FREE

YOU WILL BE FREE INDEED

the imperishable jewel

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **September 12, 1971**

I Peter 3:1-9

At eighty years of age, a famous feminine novelist reflected on her continual fault. "Always the same failure," she wrote, "the failure to love enough." We quarrel with some of the ways that biblical writers speak of women. Yet the reference in the First Letter of Peter to "the imperishable jewel of a gentle and quiet spirit" still points to an inner quality in women that seeks "to love enough." Both men and women of all races need liberation, whether as oppressors or as oppressed, but what we all need most is God's liberation to be jewels able "to love enough."

STIRRING THE ECUMENICAL POT

"Picture one large ecumenical kettle with Roman Catholics, Presbyterians, Methodists, Anglicans, A.M.E. Zionists, Seventh Day Adventists, Southern Baptists, Evangelical Presbyterians, and then just to season the stew a bit, Indians, English, Canadians, Irish—well you name it and we have it in the CHAG stew which is now merrily boiling over a well-built fire. Yes, we work together, pray together, play together, and most of all try in every way possible to coordinate and expand the health work done by church-related institutions in Ghana. Do you know what? The stew is delicious—really a new recipe—one that is bound to make a hit wherever it is tried!!!" Thus writes one of our missionaries from Ghana.

CHAG, the Christian Hospital Association of Ghana, has been under the direction of United Church Board for World Ministries missionary Guy Alling. This September, however, when Alling and his wife and children come home on furlough, CHAG will be under the direction of a Ghanaian. Increasingly, our missionaries overseas are initiating new and exciting ministries and then working themselves out of one job only to return to start a new one. As the Allings themselves say, our greatest need today is for sensitivity toward one another and openness, too, toward new and widening possibilities for service. Their "recipe" can work here at home as well as in far-off Ghana.

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September 19, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Fantasy in C J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Ask and it will be given to you. Search and you will find. Knock and the door will be opened for you.

People: For everyone who asks receives; everyone who searches finds; everyone who knocks finds the door opened for him.

Choir: "The Lord is in His Holy Temple"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 15 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

SCRIPTURE READING John 15:1-11

* The Statement of Faith (in unison)

THE ANTHEM "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" J. S. Bach

MOMENTS OF GUIDED PRAYER

I would remember before thee, Lord God, all my human brothers and sisters anywhere who need thy help. Especially now we pray:

- for thy church worldwide, in all its forms
- for this church in its local and world ministries
- for ourselves as members of Christ and his church
- for _____, and _____, and_____.

PASTORAL PRAYER with Choral Response

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Children's Sermon
* Hymn 268 "Lord, We Thank Thee For Our Brothers"
THE OFFERING
Offertory Jesus, Priceless Treasure J. S. Bach
* Cong. Response "Praise God From Whom..."
* Prayer of Dedication
SERMON The Church Succeeding
Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Sloan
*HYMN 414 "In Christ there is no East or West"

*BENEDICTION
* Choral Response Threefold Amen
*POSTLUDE All Glory Be To God on High J. S. Bach

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*Congregation will stand

A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we welcome as our Guest ministers Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Sloan of Elon College.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Primm in memory of his father, Mr. A. A. Primm and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Holman.

AN INFORMAL COFFEE HOUR for members and visitors will follow our Morning Service. Please join us in the Parish House. Hostesses are Mrs. Elizabeth Braxton, Mrs. Maurine Gminder, and Mrs. Kate McAdams.

TODAY: 3:00 Service of Dedication at the Elon Home for Children
6:30 Senior Hi Youth play softball at College Field.

THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE meets Tuesday evening at seven at the Parsonage.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP will meet with Mrs. T. A. Boland on Sept. 29 at Noon rather than Sept. 22.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **September 19, 1971**

I Thessalonians 5:12-24

We know the expression: "Free as a bird." Did you ever apply it to the Spirit? The dove is a symbol for the Spirit—the living and moving and ready-to-meet-situations power of God. Such power cannot be confined to the cages of old traditions and past experiences. It refuses to be made our captive. Rather, it leads us out of our own self-protective captivity to new and risky challenges that can bring peace—the dove symbolizes this too—the peace that means wholeness and health, liberty and justice for all. Who wants to quench that?

WHEN TOWN AND GOWN SIT DOWN

There's no telling what will happen when community and university leaders sit down together to talk! A little over a year ago exciting things began to happen in one large suburban church when, for a series of four Sunday mornings, the adult class opened its platform to several representatives of New York's Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University.

A seminary student and a university professor helped the group analyze the contemporary university situation. The discussion was both animated and lively. Later, when a noted educator brought out the need for rethinking the whole system of university governance and called for a kind of revolution, the discussion even became heated. Still later, they together began to list the problems as they now saw them which face both the church and the university: racism, militarism, war, and poverty.

The ecumenical Foundation for Higher Education in Metropolitan New York, an inter-faith group in which the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries participates, took the initiative in this and in several other suburban churches. They said in effect, "Someone must start to bridge the gap between Town and Gown!" The results were positive. "It's good to know that members of the church can respond so excitedly," said one university representative who earlier doubted that the church groups would respond at all.

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PRELUDE Adoro Te Devote F. Peeters

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Let us ask the blessing of the Lord to be upon us this holy day.

People: May the love and grace of God impel us to share the good news of his love for all people.

Choir: "The Lord is in His Holy Temple"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

*HYMN 35 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 20:18-35

The Statement of Faith (in unison)

ANTHEM "Seek Ye The Lord" J. V. Roberts

Mrs. A. B. Gminder, Soloist

MOMENTS OF GUIDED PRAYER

I would remember before thee, Lord God, all my human brothers and sisters anywhere who need thy help. Especially now we pray:

- for the President of the United States,
- for all government employees,
- for political leaders of other nations,
- for all who wear the uniform of their country,
- for _____, and _____, and _____.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Choral Response "Hear our prayer, O Lord"

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Children's Sermon Mrs. Post

* Hymn 227 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

E OFFERING

Offertory	Lentamente	Rachmanninoff
Cong. Response	"Praise God From Whom..."	
Prayer of Dedication		

RMON Diet For Christians

YMN 411 "Lord God of Hosts"

ENEDICTION

Choral Response		Threefold Amen
OSTLUDE	Fantasia in G Major	J. S. Bach

*Congregation will stand

CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us. Especially we welcome the members of the Western High School Civinetts who are worshipping with us as a group.

E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Reverend and Mrs. J.L. Foster and James L. Foster, Jr. by Miss Mary Lee Foster.

DAY	4:00	Acolytes meet with the Pastor
	6:30	Senior Hi Youth

E WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP meets Wednesday at Noon with Mrs. T.A. Boland. Dr. Truitt will lead the study.

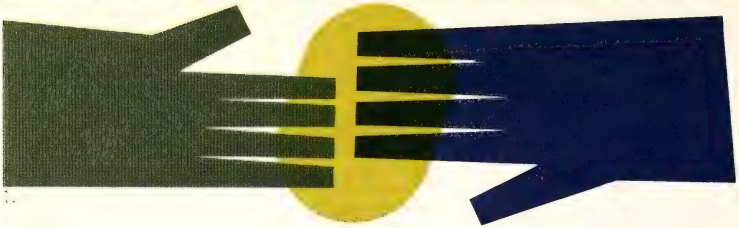
E FINANCE COMMITTEE meets Wednesday evening at 7:30. All 1972 budget requests are due by that time.

SPITALIZED Dr. J.E. Danieley at Cone, Billy Elzey and Mrs. George Troxler at Memorial.

E SACRAMENT of Holy Communion will be celebrated next Sunday.

TICLES for The Torch are due in the Secretary's office by Tuesday morning.

E EVERY MEMBER CANVASS COMMITTEE meets tomorrow evening at 8:15 in the Hunter Room.



SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **September 26, 1971**

Acts 20:18-35

Does life in your congregation "feed" you? The image of feeding is a biblical one, and in Acts Paul tells the Ephesian leaders "to feed the church of the Lord." We would never expect anyone to function physically without food. Yet at times we expect people to act effectively as Christians in the world with little genuine nourishment from their churches. Maybe the resentment that some feel toward the challenge to social action stems from a kind of starvation diet in their own congregations. Christian education is one "feeding" that enables us to meet deep human hungers.

SOME GOOD THINGS ARE HAPPENING IN CAIRO, TOO

Ask the Rev. Charles Koen, youthful leader of Cairo's black-led United Front, what he wants from the white establishment in his strife-torn city, and he may say, "jobs." Or he may say, "guarantees of racial justice." But if you press him, you'll soon find out that the big issue in Cairo has become more than this. It has become one of survival and, for Koen, one of helping his people to help themselves.

For the past two years the United Church of Christ, through its Commission for Racial Justice, has supported Cairo's United Front. The reason has not been simply to side with a minority group against institutionalized injustice. Rather, the reason has also been related to another side of the United Front's program, a side which has not made the headlines of our daily papers.

Over these last years, the United Front has been quietly pressing upon Cairo's black minority the need for building together toward a better future. Already, a black grocery store, a black clothing store and a pre-fab housing factory have begun. Plans call for establishment in the near future of a feed-lot for pigs, a broom factory, and a black shopping center.

While members of the United Church of Christ, numbers of whom live in small cities much like Cairo, express a variety of opinions about the United Front's tactic of confronting white merchants with demands to hire substantial numbers of blacks or have their businesses boycotted, they generally support community organization efforts to build up an economic base for black self-development—in Cairo or anywhere else. And we in the United Church of Christ are solidly behind such efforts by minority groups to help themselves. Our giving to the Neighbors in Need appeal is one chance we have to show our support.

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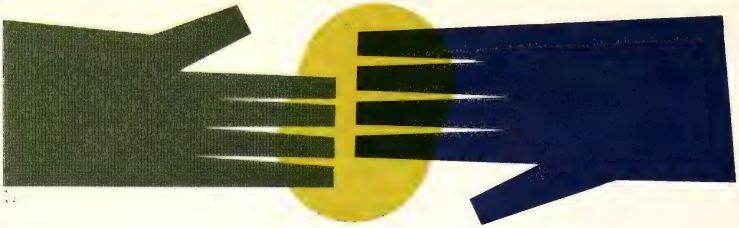

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October 3, 1971 World Communion Sunday 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Psalm XIX Marcello

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Gracious God, I come before thee, Come thou also unto me; Where we find thee and adore thee, There a heaven on earth must be. To my heart O enter thou, Let it be thy temple now.
Prayer of Invocation
*HYMN 251 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

NEW TESTAMENT READING I Corinthians 3
* Gloria Patri
THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
The Statement of Faith (in unison)
THE PASTORAL PRAYER with Choral Amen
Pastor: The Lord be with you
People: And with thy spirit.
Pastor: Let us pray:
MEDITATION That's A Long Table

THE OFFERING
Offertory Fantasia Pachelbel
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication
ANTHEM Immortal, Invisible Thiman

THE SERVICE OF COMMUNION
The Invitation of Christ
Communion Collect
General Confession (in unison) Hymnal, P. 495
Assurance of Pardon

Words of Institution
Distribution of the Elements
Thanksgiving

YMN 341 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"
(Stanzas 1-4)

ENEDICTION
Congregational Response The Doxology

OSTLUDE Prelude in C Major Bach

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E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Dr. J. A. Hunter by Mrs. Hunter and Family.

E SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM is administered today to Kerri Anne Helsley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Helsley.

DAY: 6:30 Senior Hi Youth
7:30 The Board of Deacons

E SERVICE OF INSTALLATION for Mrs. Carol Post will be held next Sunday. Following the Service, we will all adjourn to the McFarland Building for a picnic Lunch.

N UNGRADED CHURCH SCHOOL CLASS on an experimental basis began this morning. Working with this group are Patty Hough, Skipper Stanley, and Mac Abernethy.

IRCLES of the Women's Fellowship meet this week as announced in The Torch.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **October 3, 1971**

World Communion Sunday

Neighbors in Need Appeal **I Corinthians 3:1-23**

Whoever would build a foundation of flesh, of human body and blood—
"Stuff" you can kill and nail to a cross, blood flowing down in the mud?
Seems quite ridiculous; never will last; certainly must be rejected!
Else we shall build our cities and towns and end up entirely dejected.
Strange that such folly still does persist to gather us at a table,
To nourish us now with unsearchable grace, our life and love to enable:
A love that builds not of mortar and brick, only its own life to feed,
But builds human bridges in every land to reach our neighbors in need.

WE ALL NEED OUR NEIGHBORS

One of the great things about small town and rural America has been the way neighbors have helped neighbors. If a barn burned, neighbors helped rebuild it. If a neighbor's son was out of work, someone found him a job. "What are neighbors for. . . !" we'd say. In today's complex world, neighbors still need neighbors. But the needs and the ways of helping have become a bit different.

The sixth annual Neighbors in Need appeal of the United Church of Christ gives you—whether you live in a small town, a middle sized suburb, or a large city—a chance to be a good neighbor. Once again, the funds raised will be used in our denomination's Crisis in the Nation program.

Last year, helped by "seed-money" given by congregations of the UCC—black and white—through our Commission for Racial Justice, a West Side community group in Chicago called HAND started a paper-bailing business. With help from a number of neighboring groups, including congregations of the United Church of Christ, HAND established a regular pick-up route along the North Shore. Old newspapers were brought to a central location, sorted, bailed, and returned to the factory for recycling. The business ended the year with a profit which it used to help *its* neighbors through providing badly needed community services.

When you give to the Neighbors in Need appeal, you are first of all being a good neighbor; but you are also helping your neighbor be a good neighbor to someone else. We all need our neighbors!

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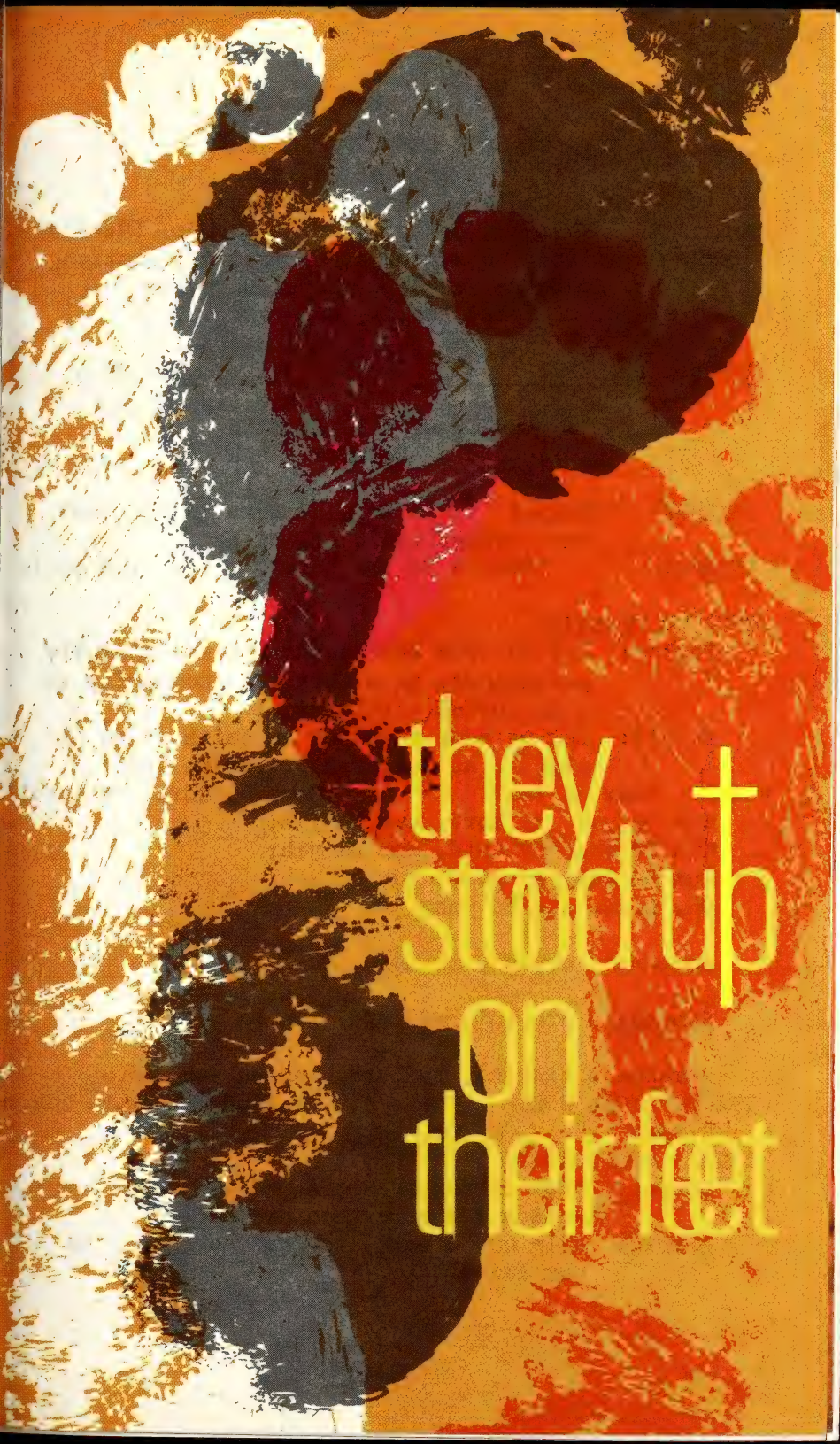
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October 10, 1971 11:00 A.M.

A SERVICE OF INSTALLATION
"Do According to Your Faith"

PRELUDE (Noise) "It's So Nice Here in the Pew" and "Everything's All Right"

INTROIT "Praise Ye The Lord" The Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Let us open our hearts and worshipfully participate as a Christian Community in this joyful celebration.

People: Let us come together in faith as we explore...as we worship...as we "Do".

*HYMN "Kum Ba Yah" (Come by Here, My Lord)

Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah;
Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah;
Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah;
Oh, Lord, kum ba yah.

Someone's cryin', my Lord, kum ba yah;

Someone's prayin', my Lord, kum ba yah;

Someone's singin', my Lord, kum ba yah;

THE BIBLICAL WORD Dr. and Mrs. W.W. Sloan

Prayer

LITANY FOR ACTION

Leader: "Do" is our theme; it means action but action for more than production.

People: Help us, O Lord, to "Do" according to our faith.

Leader: To "Do" without love is often empty and frustrating. Faith provides a foundation for us to "Do" love as Jesus did.

People: Help us, O Lord, to "Do" according to our faith.

Leader: One person may "Do" love differently than another. We are different. We express our faith in different ways. God does love us as we are.

People: Help us, O Lord, to "Do" according to our faith.

Leader: It's easy to tell someone else to "Do". We need strength and creativity to become "Doers" ourselves.

People: Help us, O Lord, to find faith that will "Do".

THE SERVICE OF INSTALLATION

Carol Post as Director of Christian Education

THE OFFERING

Offertory — Scripture/Sounds

Community Response — "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

He's got the whole world in his hands,

He's got you and me, brother, in his hands,

Of Thee, O Lord, all things come,
Of Thee, O Lord, all things come,
Of Thee, O Lord, all things come,
And of Thine own have we given Thee.

Prayer of Dedication

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION "Love is a Verb" W. Flanders

INSTALLATION OF CONGREGATION -Rev. Richard N. Rinker

HYMN 415 "In Christ There is No East or West"

BENEDICTION — Mr. Hamilton

Choral Response — "Amen!"

POSTLUDE — Hallelujah Chorus (Noise) — Handel

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **October 10, 1971**

Laity Sunday **Revelation 11:4-13**

Are you first a Christian, second an American? What would you do if you had to choose between them? The first readers of the Revelation to John had to choose between the Christian God and the Roman Emperor. The book is written to encourage them to hold fast to their faith, even if it meant persecution and death. The writer uses much symbolism to speak to them. Our passage seems to reflect the examples of Moses and Elijah, persecuted and killed but raised up and vindicated by God. Could it ever be for us: God *or* country? Christians persecuted? No, not here! Well. . . .

LAITY IN THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

During the past two years, the Division of Christian Unity of the National Council of Churches conducted a "Listening to Lay People" project. The discussions included four hundred lay participants in twenty-three communities across the nation.

Reporting on these discussions, the national committee identified the major question being asked: What can the institutional church do to help lay people do what they as responsible Christians should be doing in their occupational, political, social and other "in-the-world" relationships and responsibilities?

The committee suggests that what is needed in the Christian church is a new ministry through lay people to the institutions of the secular world. Based upon their "listenings" the committee affirms that:

- The church can provide the initiative and develop a process whereby this ministry will evolve.
- This new ministry will require the church to redirect its priorities in the use of all its resources: members, lay and clergy; money; buildings; and all other institutional resources.
- The church should open up its entire institutional structure to the full participation of all its lay people.
- This ministry will stimulate a thoroughly ecumenical effort and will result in a renewal and growth of the church.

—*Mr. Wayne A. Greene*
Division of Homeland Ministries
The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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PRELUDE Maestoso Bender
Improvisation Van Hulse

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Pastor: The Lord is in his holy temple:
People: Let all the earth keep silence before him.
Pastor: Come, Let us worship the Lord our Maker:
People: For he is our God and we are his people.
Choir: Praise Ye the Lord

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 366 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

PSALTER READING 88 Psalm 86 P. 528

NEW TESTAMENT READING (TEV) Luke 10:25-37

ANTHEM God So Loved the World Stainer

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Twofold Amen

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 464 "Praise to God, Immortal Praise"

THE OFFERING
Offertory He That Believes Van Hulse

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Sixteen, Twenty-four, One

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 383 "Forward Through the Ages"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response May the Blessing of the Lord

POSTLUDE Toccata Bender

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*Congregation will stand

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DAY

6:30 Senior Hi Youth
7:00 Music Committee

ARENTS of boys who want to be Cub Scouts will meet Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the Parish House.

HE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. D. Marsh McLelland upon the death of his step-mother, Mrs. Bertha McLelland, on October 10 and upon the death of his father, Mr. D. N. McLelland, on October 12 in Statesville.

EW MEMBERS will be received into our church fellowship next Sunday. Interested persons should make arrangements with the Pastor today.

OSPITALIZED: Mrs. L. E. Wells and Billy Elzey at Memorial Hospital.

EDICATION of the United Church Retirement Home in Newton will be held on October 31 at 3:30 P.M. We expect a couple carloads from our church to attend. Please place your reservation through the office secretary.

christ in you

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **October 17, 1971**

Colossians 1:24-29

What most of all would you like to radiate from your life? The image of the physically strong? the financially rich? the politically powerful? the parentally successful? What is the measure of a person? The Letter to the Colossians seems to answer: how much Christ lives in us, how much his self-giving maturity has grasped our lives, how much his reconciling love happens through us. If that is our measure and our highest hope, then we shall have an inspiring motivation to govern every aspect of our lives. We shall want to reflect his image in all our activities.

"THAT'S THE WAY IT TRULY, OOLY, OOLY IS!"

Perhaps you may have seen the public service "spot" announcement for children on your television screen. The cartoon figures and the mood are reminiscent of "Sesame Street." "It's nice to share," announces a member of the sandbox set as he points to a pal sharing balloons with his buddies. "Oh, that's the way it is—truly, ooly, ooly is," sing the other children as they bounce around with their balloons. But wait a minute! Our little host is left out! "It's nice to share," he announces again—with a plaintive note in his voice. And so, the other kids share their balloons with our host. "When people share with me," he says with a smile, "I feel glad. That's the way it truly, ooly, ooly is." In the meantime, another little one without a balloon, coyly appears next to our host. "So what you gonna do today?" chants the chorus. "I think I'll share," states our host as he shares one of his balloons and together, Mary Poppins fashion, they exit holding onto their balloons.

Creative? Yes. A new way to reach children? Not really, but fairly new for the church. A way to influence their behavior? Let's hope so! This project, the creation and distribution of a series of "spots," was initiated by the Episcopal Church and shared with several other denominations, including the United Church of Christ. Through the work of our Office of Communication, it is part of *Our Christian World Mission.* It truly, ooly, ooly is!

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HIS VOICE THEN SHOOK THE EARTH

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October 24, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Toccata in F Major Buxtehude

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Pastor: Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all people!
People: For great is his steadfast love; and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever.
Pastor: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and for evermore.
Choir: "Praise Ye The Lord"

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 352 "Lift Up Your Hearts" (Stanzas 1-3)

OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 3:1-12;4:10-16

NEW TESTAMENT READING Hebrews 12:12-17,25-29

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS
Statement of Faith (In Unison)
ANTHEM Were You There?

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Twofold Amen
CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 223 "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"
THE OFFERING
Offertory Prelude in G Minor Bach
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
SERMON The Second T

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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(YES, YOU!)

ECAUSE.....

Our children want to sing. They have robes and oices but they need YOU to be their director.

Please help them.

Our Ninth Grade Church School Class wants some uidance. They have ideas and energy but they eed YOU to be their teacher.

Please help them.

Our Junior Highs would like to have Sunday Night outh Fellowship. They have enthusiasm and skills ut they need YOU to be their advisors.

Please help them.

Our choir wants to sound out. They have an xcellent director and music; but they need YOU, specially those who are bass and alto.

Please help them.

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 451 "Turn Back, O Man"

*BENEDICTION

* Choral Response "May the Blessing of the Lord"

*POSTLUDE Processional in G Major Stanley

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*Congregation will stand

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Marshall W. Hook and Gerald E. Hook by the Family.

RECEIVED TODAY as new members of our congregation are: Mr. and Mrs. William D. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Fogleman, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. A. Mark Primm, Jr. Joining as Associate Members are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ned Harward, Sr., and Mrs. Leona Updyke.

THE SENIOR HI YOUTH will meet at the church this evening at 6:45 to go to the College Pool for a swimming party. Afterwards they will return to the church for refreshments. All Senior Hi Youth, come - and bring a friend.

AN ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING of Cub Pack 51 will be held in the Parish House Tuesday evening at 7:00. All cub scouts are asked to attend with their parents.

THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP BIBLE HOUR will be held Wednesday, October 27 at 12 Noon with Mrs. Clyde Fields. Dr. Truitt will be our teacher.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. Bobby McKinnon and Grandmother Gladys Vickers upon the birth of Robert Brant McKinnon on October 20.

SHOOK THE EARTH

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **October 24, 1971**

Hebrews 12:18-29

How do you think about God? Like a kindly grandfather? Like a policeman for law and order? Do you ever think of God as a power that shakes the earth—that is at work to shake down all our idolatrous systems, whether economic or social, military or political, educational or religious? Who can doubt that our world is being shaken? The Letter to the Hebrews affirms such a shaking. But it also speaks of a kingdom that cannot be shaken. God's rule of order is a "new covenant," a new constitution. He shakes us to give his unshakeable peace and love, liberty and justice to all.

MAKING LIFE MORE HUMANE IN SINGAPORE

Nearly 250 factories, crowded together in the Jurong Industrial Estate in Singapore, turn out a wide variety of goods for the Southeast Asia market. But the area has grown so fast that working, housing, and living conditions all have suffered. The Urban Industrial Mission Committee of the East Asia Christian Conference decided several years ago that it was time to try some of the community development techniques which had proved successful in Europe and America. They invited Ronald Fujiyoshi, an American, seminary-trained, community development expert, to come to Singapore for a year under the sponsorship of the East Asia Christian Conference and the World Council of Churches. Christians in Singapore—Protestant and Roman Catholic, laymen and clergy—all stood ready to help. Today, the initial grant has run out and the United Church Board for World Ministries has assumed responsibility for Mr. Fujiyoshi and his family, and the work continues.

The major effort has been to help the people of the Jurong area—workers, foremen, managers, government officials, church leaders and others—to identify their needs and then discover their own resources to meet them. Transportation, for instance, was badly needed between one housing area and the factories. Community groups convinced a bus company to establish a regular route to the area. A second part of the Jurong Project is training. Working closely with the University of Singapore, Mr. Fujiyoshi is helping to train additional community development specialists. The need for such persons is great. Seeing the success of the Singapore project, other cities, Djakarta, Calcutta, and Bangkok have started their own. And the Christian groups—working together—are finding that with their new cooperation comes new understanding and a greater sense of their oneness in Christ.

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since God has foreseen something better

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October 31, 1971 Reformation Sunday 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Chorale on "Ein' Feste Burg"

CALL TO WORSHIP Choral Introit
Prayer of Invocation

THE CHURCH BEGINS WITH THE SPIRIT

*HYMN OF RENEWAL 232 "Spirit of God"

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 2:1-12,38-42

THE CHURCH IN THE EARLY CENTURIES
(reading by minister)

RESPONSIVE READING "Te Deum Laundamus" P. 549
* Gloria Patri

THE CHURCH IN THE MIDDLE AGES
(reading by minister)

PREPARATION FOR PRAYER (to be read silently)

Lord make me an instrument of Thy peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light, and
Where there is sadness, joy.
O, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much
Seek to be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

PRAYER LITANY FOR THE CHURCH P. 514

* Hymn of Faith 111 "Of the Father's Love..."

CIRCLES MEET THIS WEEK

ircles	#1,4	Meets Monday, Nov. 1 at 10:00 A.M. with Mrs. J. E. Danieley - Co-Hostess Mrs. H. R. Richardson
ircle	#2	Meets Monday, Nov. 1 at 8:00 P.M. with Mrs. Guy Veazey - Mrs. J. G. Waugh
ircle	#3	Meets Monday, Nov. 1 at 8:00 P.M. with Mrs. Lois Bost
ircle	#5	Meets Tuesday, Nov. 2 at 8:00 P.M. with Mrs. H. H. Cunningham
ircle	#6	Meets Tuesday, Nov. 2 at 8:00 P.M. with Mrs. Kenneth Clem

HE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS Campaign lifts off today with a presentation by Mr. McLelland on "Support of the Current Budget" Pledges by the members may be made on November 14 or 21; or if you prefer, canvassers will call in your home on the afternoon of November 21.

UR THANKS to all the families who are opening their homes as hosts for the Every Member Canvass Information Sessions. They are:

Wes Alexanders
George Colcloughs
Mrs. H. H. Cunningham
Alfred Hursts
Erle Hutchins
Roland Longests
J. B. MacDonalds
W. C. Perrys
Ed Powells
Ed Simons
Worden Updykes
Willard Whites
Louis Wilkins

Each of these neighborhood groups will be meeting during the next two weeks to discuss the church program and budget.

THE CHURCH IN REFORMATION
(reading by minister)

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE OFFERING
Offertory Anthem "A Mighty Fortress"
The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

THE CHURCH TODAY AND TOMORROW

STEWARDSHIP TESTIMONY Mr. McLelland

SERMON Church in the Seventies

*HYMN 260 "The Church's One Foundation"

*BENEDICTION
Choral Response "May the Blessing of the Lord"
*POSTLUDE Prelude in F Major Bach

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TODAY: 2:30 Leadership Training at St. Mark's
4:00 Youth decorate Parish House
4:00 Dedication of Retirement Home
6:30 Senior Hi Halloween Party

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED WORLD COMMUNITY DAY is Friday November 5 at 10:30 A.M. at The Church of the Holy Comforter, Burlington.

ARTICLES for the Torch are due in the office of the Secretary Tuesday morning.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Reformation Sunday **October 31, 1971**

EMPOWERED PEOPLE FOR A RENEWED CHURCH

Yesterday's reformers and today's come together on this point: "Big daddies are dead." The church belongs to the people, not to prelates and preachers. And in these times of tottering institutions, the God of history claps his hands in response, letting bureaucracies wither and die both in the church and in the world. The move is to the grassroots for local control and initiative.

Power to the people? You have it. The reader of this bulletin has it in his or her hands to decide all the items on the ecclesiastical agenda for the '70s.

Will our congregations succumb to "future shock," or will they find creative ways to relate to the incredible pace of things?

Will the polarization between the traditionalists and the visionaries be overcome in some fruitful new partnership?

Will the Church of Christ Uniting—COCU—flounder, or make an ecumenical breakthrough in our land?

Will institutional Christianity risk following Christ the Liberator into the struggles against tyranny and injustice?

Will the Christian story be told to a generation of young engaged in a religious quest?

The "greening" of the church depends on the people of God. It is time to plant. Your time.

—*Dr. Gabriel J. Fackre*
Professor of Theology
Andover Newton Theological School

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November 7, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Te Deum Laudamus Buxtehude

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty
UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION
Lord, come dwell within us! Grant us now thy presence; unto us draw nearer and reveal thyself still clearer. Where we are, near or far, let us see thy power every day and hour. Amen.
*HYMN 64 "All Creatures of our God and King"

PSALTER READING 95 Psalm 100 P. 531
* Gloria Patri
SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Twofold Amen
ANTHEM God is a Spirit Bennett

CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 98 "My God, I Thank Thee"
THE OFFERING
Offertory Chorale Prelude Buxtehude
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 22:1-14

SERMON The King is God

*HYMN 363 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

*BENEDICTION

* Choral Response Let Thy Word Abide in Us

*POSTLUDE Toccata in E Minor Pachelbel

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TODAY:

4:00 Choral Vespers at Whitley
6:30 Senior Hi Youth
7:30 Board of Deacons

THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE meets Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the Hunter Room.

AN INTERPRETIVE MOVEMENT CHOIR for girls in grades 4, 5, and 6 is now being formed. Please meet in Mrs. Post's office tomorrow at 3:30.

ALL CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS will meet Thursday at 7:30 at the home of Mrs. Post.

SEVERAL INFORMATION SESSIONS on the Every Member Canvass will meet this week. Please call the church office if you would like to attend one of these sessions. Pledge cards will be mailed this week and should be returned on November 14 or 21. If you prefer, canvassers will call in your home the afternoon of November 21.

AILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDES for November-December are available on the literature table in the Narthex.

do all things without grumbling

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **November 7, 1971**

Philippians 2:14-30

"All things without grumbling"? How unrealistic! Or is it? Paul wrote these words from jail and kept talking about rejoicing, even though he may have been about to die. He seemed to be able to take life as it came, not passively but with the conviction that God could work for good in whatever happened. Not that everything was good but that *in* everything God's love was at work. Paul knew that grumbling accomplishes nothing. We know it too. But seizing every situation as an opportunity for good can bring new courage and even new joy.

NEW ACTIVITY AT MILK'S CAMP

A hundred and fifty miles or so east of the Cheyenne River which marks the eastern edge of South Dakota's famous Black Hills, a small group of Sioux Indians is working hard with the help of the church to create a "cooperative" called the Milk's Camp Industries. Milk's Camp is what the small community has been called ever since Chief Milk and Chief Swift Bear settled there many years ago. In an old church building, the group has set up a busy workshop. Their big item is drums. The next time you see an Indian tom-tom or other novelty item for sale, look at the label. It may have been made by the Milk's Camp people. The Milk's Camp group is hoping, when it finally gets tooled-up later this year, to produce some 85,000 novelty items per year. More than 120 miles of leather lacing is needed just for lacing the drumheads! Drums, rattles, necklaces, dime banks, book ends, salt and peppers, miniature tipis, and wall hangings all are designed and made by the Indians themselves. Mr. Joe Stars, manager of the project, comments, "We have to create our own jobs. Tom-toms are a natural. It is our intention to replace the pseudo-Indian oriental novelties with the genuine item."

The United Church of Christ Churchmen's Fellowship has accepted the recommendation of the new United Church of Christ Council for Indian Ministries that Milk's Camp Industries be its 1971 project. Regular funds given through *Our Christian World Mission,* now channeled through the Council for Indian Ministries help fund a variety of church, tribal, and community projects in South Dakota, North Dakota, and Wisconsin and in major cities across the country.

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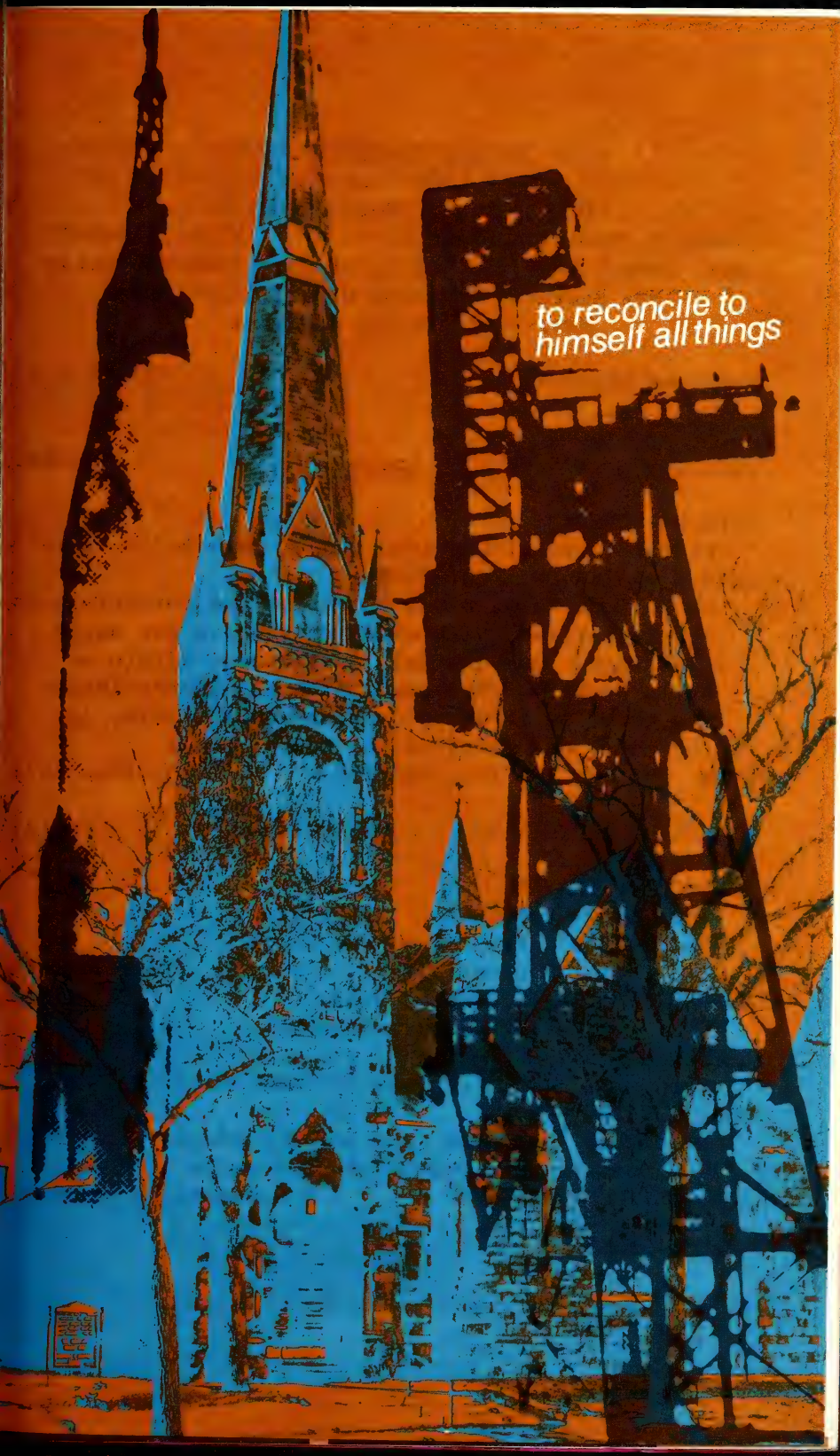
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November 14, 1971 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Largo Vivaldi

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit "Gracious God, I Come Before Thee"
UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION
We beseech thee, O God to pardon the forgetfulness and ingratitude with which we receive our daily blessings. May thy Holy Spirit move within us while we pray, that our praise and thanksgivings may overflow in happy song and joyful life, to the honor and glory of thy name. Amen.
*HYMN 391 "Be Thou My Vision" (Stanzas 1-3)

PSALTER READING 107 Psalm 145 P. 537
* Gloria Patri
SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Twofold Amen
ANTHEM Over My Head Spiritual
W. J. Updyke, Soloist
CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 227 "Fairest Lord Jesus"
THE OFFERING
Offertory "Concerto in a minor - Adagio" J. S. Bacl
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
NEW TESTAMENT READING I Corinthians 3:16-4:2

SERMON The Third T

*HYMN 318 "Draw Thou My Soul, O Christ"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Let Thy Word Abide in Us

POSTLUDE Fugue in A Minor J. S. Bach

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ODAY:

2:30	Community Appreciation Service at First Baptist Church
6:30	Junior Hi Play Practice
6:30	Senior Hi Youth
7:00	**Music Committee**

HE INTERPRETIVE MOVEMENT CHOIR for girls in grades 4,5, and 6 will rehearse tomorrow afternoon at 3:30.

COLOGY FAMILY NIGHT Tuesday, November 16 at 7:00 P.M. The Senior High Youth will present a multi-media program. Come and be concerned.

HE BIBLE STUDY HOUR of the Women's Fellowship meets with Mrs. Martin on Wednesday at Noon. Dr. Overton is the study leader.

LEDGES toward the 1972 Budget may be given today or next Sunday. Those who prefer can have canvassers call in their homes next Sunday afternoon.

RTICLES for the Torch are due in the secretary's office tomorrow morning.

to reconcile to himself all things

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST November 14, 1971

Stewardship Sunday **Colossians 1:9-20**

We used to speak of "the man *in* the moon." Now it's "man *on* the moon." No longer are we single-planet earthlings. We are cosmic persons. Some have asked if that makes Christ obsolete. Not at all, for he does not belong to earth only but to the universe. The Christ-hymn in the Letter to the *Colossians* proclaims this. His life on earth was the concrete sign of God's love that seeks to bind the whole universe into one, to overcome our estrangements, to reconcile all things. Both church steeples and rocket cones can be pointers to God's will for cosmic harmony and peace.

CREDO

Christian stewardship of money is giving a share,
not what we can easily spare.
It is giving in proportion
to what we have,
to what we earn,
to our financial competence.
It is giving with joy, faith, and
a sense of privilege.
Christian stewardship, what we give as Christians,
for Christ and the church and charities and human needs,
ought to be a significant percentage of what we have.
It ought not compare unfavorably with what we are
willing to spend
on costly homes and second homes,
costly vacations and exclusive clubs,
second and third cars,
travel and costs of frequent extended vacation weekends.
This is part of what Christ meant when he
spoke of the kingdom being first
and called attention to the widow's mite.
Christian giving is regular, thoughtful,
proportionate. It is the Christian opportunity
and responsibility of all.
Christian giving springs from faith,
and commitment,
and Christian joy.

—Spencer B. Smith

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thanks
be to God who
gives us victory
through
Jesus Christ

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Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

November 21, 1971 Thanksgiving Sunday 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE God Gave to us This Glorious Day Walther
God Who madest Earth and Heaven
CALL TO WORSHIP Minister and Choir

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)
We thank thee, our Father, that thou hast bestowed upon us the kindly fruits of the earth. Grant us grace that we may receive them thankfully and use them carefully, for our own comfort, for the relief of the needy, and for the glory of thy name. Amen.
*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING 21 "We Gather Together"

PSALTER READING 109 Psalm 150 P. 539 Mrs. Post
"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"
(Interpretive Movement Choir and Adult Choir)
SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Twofold Amen
COMMISSIONING OF CANVASSERS

ANTHEM Gloria Mozart

CHILDREN'S SERMON Mrs. Post
* Hymn 66 "For the Beauty of the Earth"
THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory Greensleeves arr. Purvis
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication

ERMON Giving Thanks in Easy Times

New Testament Reading Philippians 4:4-13

YMN 29 "Now Thank We All Our God"

ENEDICTION

Choral Response Let Thy Word Abide In Us

OSTLUDE Hail The Day So Rich In Cheer Pachelbel

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CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we greet and welcome our visitors, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex.

E ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. John D. Schmidt in memory of her mother, Mrs. Alice Brehle.

EDGES to the 1972 Church Budget were received last Sunday and again today. Those who so prefer may have canvassers call in your home this afternoon between two and four o"clock.

Pledges received to date from 46 of our member families total $19,249. toward a budget of $49,703. We hope to be able to report next Sunday that the proposed budget has been pledged in full.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held next Sunday evening at seven o'clock for the purposes of (1) electing new committee and board members and (2) adopting a 1972 Church Budget.

E VISITING COMMITTEE of the Church Women meets this evening at seven in the Hunter Room.

SPITALIZED: Mrs. Fred Walter at Memorial

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST November 21, 1971

I Corinthians 15:50-58

How does the thought of your death strike you? Does it trouble you? tranquilize you? terrify you? Paul calls it "the last enemy to be destroyed." For Paul, death had been terrifying, but he sees in Christ's resurrection God's victory over it. Paul makes clear that for him resurrection is not the revival of the old, the resuscitation of a corpse. "Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom." It is God's new creation of what Paul calls "a spiritual body" (the person) beyond our present "physical body." Through Christ, death brings not terror but triumph.

PROGRESS ON "ASSIGNMENT '76"

Several years ago the American Bible Society announced its plans for the next few years, during which the United States will celebrate its bicentennial, and called them: "Assignment '76." The current record shows that steady progress has been made toward three goals which were a part of this proposal. The Bible Society (to which our churches give through *Our Christian World Mission*) hopes to reach an annual scripture-distribution record of 176 million per year by 1976. This past year the distribution figure reached nearly 100 million (99,595,467 to be exact).

Nearly a million were distributed in two major efforts. In South Carolina, teams scoured neighborhoods house-to-house for families who desired but did not have Bibles distributing the Bible Society's most recent translation of the New Testament, *Good News for Modern Man.* In Arizona, Spanish- and Indian-language versions were distributed in addition to the English version. Last year, also, the Society distributed over 750,000 copies of its selected Bible readings for Bible Week. Bible Week, long observed in December, has been shifted to late November and is now cooperatively planned by the American Bible Society, the Laymen's National Bible Committee, and the Catholic Biblical Association of America. Their joint effort to revive the custom of daily Bible reading—especially between Thanksgiving and Christmas—is increasingly being adopted by congregations.

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WAKE
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IT IS FULL
TIME NOW
FOR YOU
TO WAKE
FROM SLEEP

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November 28, 1971 First Sunday in Advent 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Now Thank We All Our God Karg-Elert

CALL TO WORSHIP Praise Ye The Lord
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

O God, our Father, no other time fills us with such joy and hope as does this season. Help us to use this period of Advent to prepare ourselves for Christmas, thinking thoughts and doing deeds that will make us more fit for his Coming. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

*ADVENT HYMN 110 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 52:7-53:6

* The Gloria Patri

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Twofold Amen

ANTHEM The Heavens Proclaim Him Beethoven

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 489 "I Would Be True"

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory From Heaven Above Pachelbel
* Responsive Dedication (insert)
* The Doxology

SERMON Looking For A Messiah

New Testament Reading Luke 1:67-80

A RESPONSIVE DEDICATION
for the
FAMILY THANKOFFERING

Pastor: Every good gift and every perfect present comes from Heaven; it comes down from God. He does not change, nor does he cause darkness by turning. (James 1:17)

People: Lord, everything we have has been given by you. Some gifts we have accepted with grace and gratitude; others we have taken without even recognizing that they have come from you.

Pastor: How can we thank you for all the gifts you have given us, O Lord?

People: We offer our prayers of thanksgiving, spoken aloud and breathed silently. We promise our concern and love, and express this by giving enough of ourselves and our treasures that it matters to others and to ourselves.

Pastor: We offer these tokens of our response to your gracious gifts to us. Add your blessing on all who will use them in ministry to your children.

People: This gift has now been given, and we now look to the future. Each day that we give, may we give in joy and gladness that the Lord may indeed be praised.

All: (The singing of the Doxology)

HYMN 411 "Lord God of Hosts"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Let Thy Word Abide In Us

POSTLUDE Lift Up Your Heads Bingham

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CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we greet and welcome our visitors, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex.

N ORIENTATION CLASS for new members will be held the next two Sundays during the Church School Hour. We urge the attendance of those who would like to become members of our church family. New members will be received Dec. 21.

ODAY:

7:00 Congregational Meeting
8:00 Executive Board of the Women's Fellowship

HE FAMILY THANKOFFERING is received today and dedicated to the wider mission of our church. The Charles Wood Family represents all our families who day by day have set aside tokens of thanksgiving. The blue and white boxes for use during 1972 are available in the Narthex.

ANY FAMILIES have yet to submit a pledge for the 1972 church budget. To date, a total of $35,195.60 has been pledged toward a goal of $49,403. The Current and Building goals share almost equally in the shortage. We continue to solicit your support.

WAKE

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT **November 28, 1971**

Romans 13:11-14

Wake up, wake up, the day is here!
God's health is here to meet our ills and give us all new clothing.
Rise up, rise up, the time is now!
With Jesus Christ to make us new, our lives shall need no loathing.
O church of God, O sleeping church,
The world is tired of seeing you live with such drab conviction.
Put on the armor of his light
And show with conduct full of love that Jesus is no fiction.

BUILDING A COMMUNICATIONS BRIDGE

Latin American countries are highly skilled in the use of mass communication both for reaching large urban audiences and for communicating over long distances. The churches, however, have been slow to develop the leadership to communicate the Gospel with the same skill that mass communication is using in secular life. But beginning last fall, fifteen young men and women were brought together in Mexico City for a year-long internship in all phases of mass communication.

This program, called COMUNICÁLA (Communicación Christiána a Latíno America), was orginated and largely financed by the United Church Board for World Ministries with money from the 1970 Family Thank Offering. Sponsorship was entrusted to the World Association for Christian Communication (which our United Church Office of Communication was instrumental in founding). The students were supervised by the Evangelical Audio-Visual Center in Mexico City and by the Theological Community of Mexico. They spent half their time in formal classes and workshops studying communications theory and practices and worked half-time in such communication agencies as *Tiempo,* Mexico's weekly news magazine; Telesistema Mexicano; Radio Programas de Mexico, and Noble & Associates, an advertising agency.

The students came from Spanish speaking countries in Central and South America, and from many denominations. One, Sr. Daniel Median Lopez, had been a radio announcer and producer at Station HRVC, "The Evangelical Voice of Honduras," an ecumenical venture supported by the Evangelical and Reformed Church there with which our Board for World Ministries works. COMUNICÁLA is helping to build a bridge between the church and the people of Latin America.

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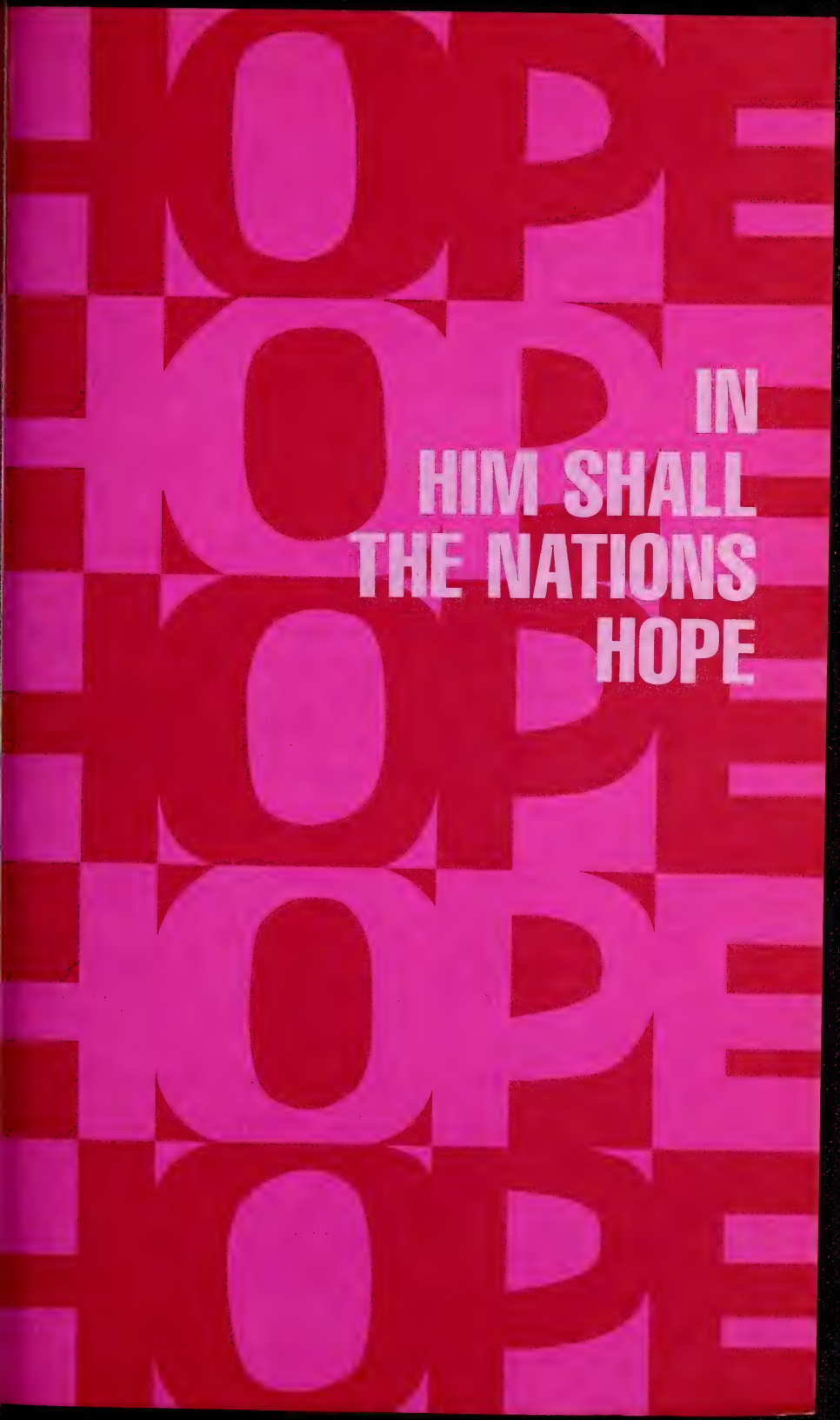
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December 5, 1971 Second Sunday in Advent 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Pastorale Zipoli

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Come, Thou Long-expected Jesus
UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION
O God, our Father, no other time fills us with such joy and hope as does this season. Help us to use this period of Advent to prepare ourselves for Christmas, thinking thoughts and doing deeds that will make us more fit for his Coming. In Jesus' Name, Amen
*ADVENT HYMN 228 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 7,8(selected)
* The Gloria Patri
SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Twofold Amen
ANTHEM The Shepherds' Carol Billings

CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 121 "From Heaven Above To Earth I Come"
THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory Last Night I Lay Asleeping Carol
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication
SERMON Looking For Emmanuel
New Testament Reading Matthew 1:18-23

HYMN 110 "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Let Thy Word Abide In Us

POSTLUDE Theme on "Hyfrydol" Prichard

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TODAY:

	4:00	Handel's "Messiah"
	6:30	Jr. Hi Play Practice
	6:30	Sr. Hi Youth
	7:30	Board of Deacons

THE ORIENTATION CLASS for new members will meet again next Sunday during the Church School Hour. We urge the attendance of those who would like to become members of our church family. New members will be received on December 19.

THE INTERPRETIVE MOVEMENT CHOIR will practice Monday afternoon at 3:30 in the Parish House.

THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE meets Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the Hunter Room.

FAMILY NIGHT is next Sunday evening at 6:30. The Junior Hi Youth will give us "A Charlie Brown Christmas". Bring your whole family and one decoration for the Christmas tree.

PLEDGES for the 1972 Church Budget have been given by 110 of our families to a total of $36,385.60. We continue to solicit your support.

HOPE

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT **December 5, 1971**

Romans 15:7-13

Hope and joy and peace and power:
Can such words function still today to stir our expectation?
Or are they pious, Sunday terms
We use in church, but with no chance to challenge dedication?
Paul used them in a mission wide
To nourish Christians of his day in heeding their vocation.
O church of God, hope now in him,
That these words in your flesh and blood may welcome every nation.

GIFTS MOST RARE

The Christmas carol sings of gladness, of wise men of old who brought their "gifts most rare" to the new-born hope of the world. Today, God's great gift to mankind invites our own "gifts most rare"!

The most precious gift someone can give to God and to the church is, of course, his whole person—his life, energy, and talent. The senior servants of the church, the ministers and spouses who in earlier years faithfully served our churches, gave of themselves and of their gifts fully. Now, in their later years, they rest from their labors.

At this special time of year when memories are sensitive, we remember them with affection and concern, and we share with them through the Christmas Fund. One thousand of these retired folk who have special needs are helped through this annual Christmas appeal by our gifts.

Throughout the year, active and retired ministers with emergency needs benefit from your gifts to this fund—and discover the firm, practical support of the whole fellowship.

The Christmas Fund is administered by the Pension Boards of the United Church of Christ, 297 Park Avenue South, New York, New York 10010.

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December 12, 1971 Third Sunday in Advent 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Noel in G Daquin
Advent Solo Tyrolienne Carol Joseph Gminder
CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming
UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION
O God, our Father, we rejoice in the fulfillment of thy promise to dwell with us. So we give our thanks for thy coming in Christ. With true joy within us, help us both to worship him and to go forth to serve him. Amen.
*ADVENT HYMN 103 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" (Tune:13)
OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 10:33-11:10
* The Gloria Patri
SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Father, Hear Our Prayer
ANTHEM While By My Sheep 17th Century Hymn

CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 116 "Angels We Have Heard on High"
THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory Pastorale Handel
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication
SERMON Extremism in Bethlehem
New Testament Reading Luke 2:1-20

*YMN 134 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

*ENEDICTION

Choral Response Let Thy Word Abide In Us

*OSTLUDE Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light

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HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Loy in memory of Janet Loy Faulkner.

AMILY NIGHT is this evening at 6:30 in the Parish House. The Junior High Youth will present a drama: "A Charlie Brown Christmas". Please bring one decoration for the Christmas tree. You all are invited and urged to attend.

HE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP meets tomorrow evening at6:30 for a covered dish supper. A brief business meeting and Circle meetings will follow. Staple goods may be brought for Christmas Cheer for area needy families.

RTICLES for the Torch are due in the office of the secretary by Tuesday morning.

EXT SUNDAY EVENING at 7:00 we will hold a lovely Service of Chrismons and Choral Singing. Some of our church school classes or families have made chrismons which will be placed on the tree. Do plan to come.

BRING

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT **December 12, 1971**

Acts 13:16-33

Bring now good news that God did bring
In Jesus Christ, promise fulfilled, to proclaim liberation.
Let not this word of his new life
Fall on deaf ears and thwart his deed of reconciliation.
Our risen Lord is not a myth,
That comes to us for our attempts at empty speculation;
He is God's love at work in us
To heal our lives—let us bring the fruits of new creation.

CHURCH OF NORTH INDIA

Born during the Advent season a year ago, after forty years of consultation and negotiation, the Church of North India came to life in a time of uncertainty, turmoil and tension.

Nagpur, India, was the scene as one of the great events in modern church history unfolded and age-old theological and ecclesiastical walls came tumblin' down. More than 5,000 persons participated in the ceremonies of inauguration and thanksgiving. Representatives of churches and mission boards from many countries came to witness the event, bring official greetings, and consult with the new church's leaders regarding future relationships. They joined with a great throng of Indian Christians in hymns of praise as delegates of each of the uniting churches processed into the place of the inaugural service under denominational banners, which they left before the altar, then marched out together from the service under the banner of the Church of North India. Former Baptists, Brethren, Disciples, Presbyterians, Congregationalists, Anglicans and Methodists, numbering 700,000 in all, are now members of this new church whose birth and developing life are a sign of God's grace and a cause for rejoicing in congregations of the church in every place today.

—*Robert A. Thomas*
Division of Overseas Ministries
The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS

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December 19, 1971 Fourth Sunday in Advent 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Trumpet Voluntary Purcell
(Jon White, Trumpet)

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Glory To God

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION
O God, our Father, we rejoice in the fulfillment of thy promise to dwell with us. So we give our thanks for thy Coming in Christ. With true joy within us, help us both to worship him and to go forth to serve him. Amen.

*CAROL 132 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 40

* The Gloria Patri

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Threefold Amen

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS
Sacrament of Holy Baptism
The Statement of Faith

ANTHEM Three Chorales from the Christmas Oratorio J. S. Bach
Dr. Malvin Artley, Mr. Steve Harper, Violinists

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Carol 129 "It Came Upon The Midnight Clear"

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory Selected

* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Good Tidings of Great Joy To All People

New Testament Reading Luke 2:8-14

*CAROL 130 Joy To The World

*BENEDICTION

* Choral Response Sevenfold Amen

*POSTLUDE Largo Zipoli

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THANKS to the families who have brought the poinsettia plants which decorate the Chancel.

WE GLADLY RECEIVE and welcome as members of our congregation Mr. and Mrs. Joe C. Alexander and Mr. and Mrs. F. Douglas Clouse.

TODAY 7:00 Chrismon Service
8:00 Finance Committee

CAROLING for youth and adults will be Tuesday evening. Please meet at the Parish House by 6:30.

THE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS SING will be held again this year on Thursday evening at 7:00 just across from the post office, at the lighted tree.

OUR CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE of Carols, Scripture Readings, and Meditation will be Friday evening at 7:00. This will be a candlelight Service intended for the whole family.

REJOICE

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT **December 19, 1971**

Philippians 4:4-7

Rejoice now, Christians, in the Lord,
As Paul once said, when in a jail, to help a congregation.
Anxiety can flee away,
When gratefully you turn to God in prayer and supplication.
His peace is not a passing fad
That's here today and then is gone in times of tribulation.
His strength both in and out of jail
Always keeps faith and says, "Rejoice!" It knows no limitation.

"PEACE ON EARTH, GOODWILL TO MEN . . ."

Recently, more and more church groups have tried to define the real meaning of peace for our time. Some of them in the greater Seattle area have used a game called "Sanctuary" as a way of role-playing and more objectively dealing with their differences.

- "Don't talk to me about peace! That's only a propaganda word designed to destroy our country!"
- "That's the problem with your generation. You get so hung-up on words and politics that you can't even hear what we're saying! We're trying to express the Christian message the way the early Christians did."

This game is one of the resources provided by a church-founded organization, the Religious Resource Center of the World Without War Council. The Council is supported by the United Church of Christ, the Lutheran Church in America, the United Presbyterian Church, and others. It seeks through lecture series, film programs, and discussions to put the question of war and peace on the agenda of the average American, and to help churches come to grips with this issue which so often has caused polarization and conflict.

The attainment of a positive relationship between people, not simply the absence of armed conflict, is one of the highest priorities for the United Church of Christ in these days. Have you made it your priority, too?

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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
Elon College, North Carolina
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
December 24, 1971 - 7:00 P.M.
Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor

PRELUDE Pastorale Handel

*CAROL 132 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given;

People: And his Name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

Unison: Our God and Father, we come to thee rejoicing in the gift of thy Son, Jesus Christ, to the world. We thank thee for the Christmas Season and all its joys. Bless us as in our worship we travel again to the Bethlehem Manger, in the Name of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

The Promise of the Light of the World

Carol 110 "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

HIS COMING FORETOLD Isaiah 9:2-7

The Preparation for his Coming

THE ANNUNCIATION Luke 1:26-33

THE MAGNIFICAT

Pastor: "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

People: For He has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden.

Pastor: For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed:

People: For He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

Pastor: And his mercy is on those who fear him from generation to generation.

People: He has shown strength with his arm. He has scattered the proud in the imaginations of their hearts.

Pastor: He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted those of low degree.

People: He has filled the hungry with good things and the rich he has sent empty away.

Pastor: He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy.

People: As He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his posterity forever."

*CAROL 134 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

The Coming of the Christ Child

THE PROMISE FULFILLED Luke 2:1-17

CAROL 488 "Go, Tell it on the Mountain"

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Offertory Pastorale Zipoli

CHRISTMAS MEDITATION Peace on Earth

The Service of Lights

DISTRIBUTION OF THE CANDLES

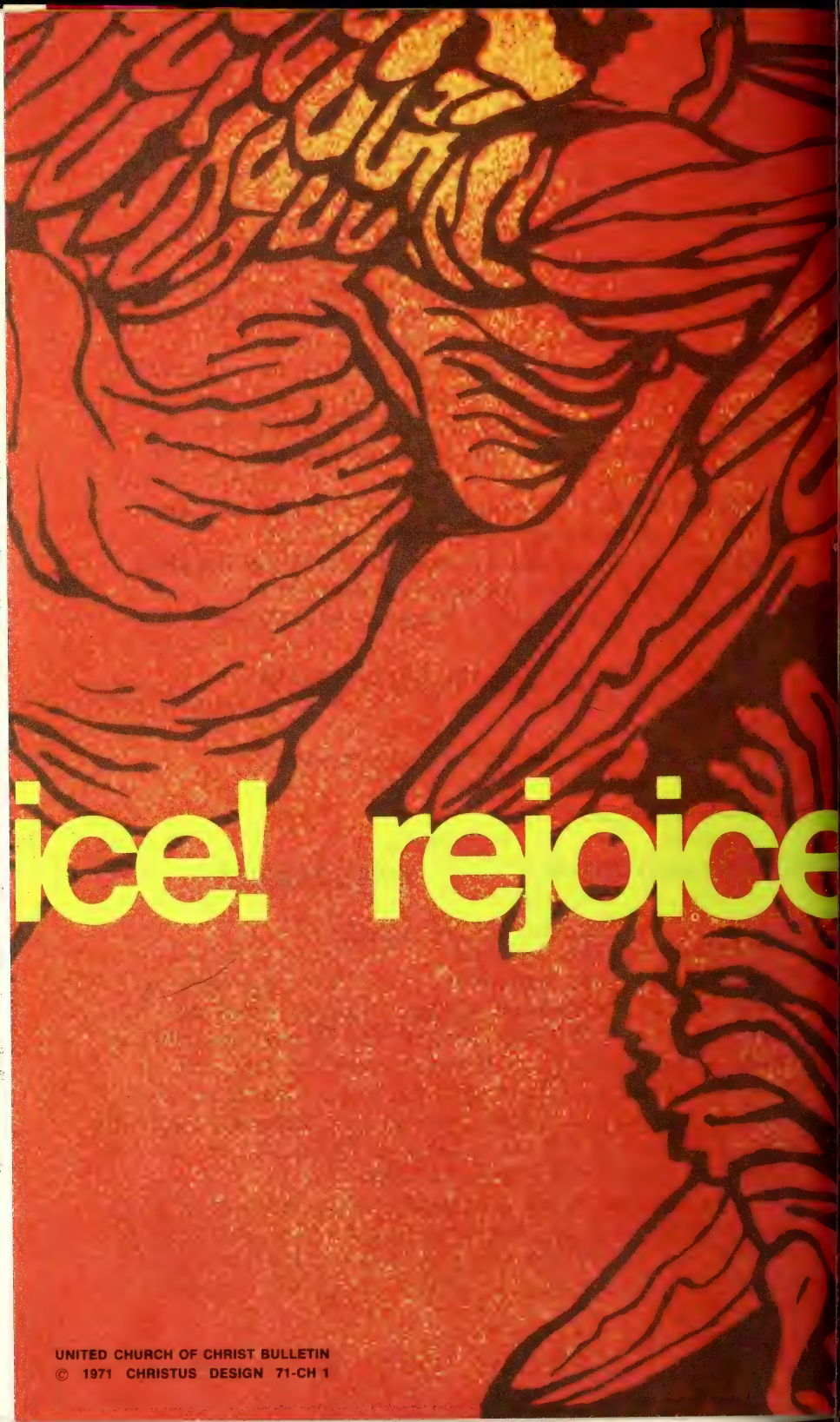
(Candles and drip-protectors for each pew are in boxes near the center aisle. Please take one of each and pass the box toward the other end of the pew. The candles will be lighted by the ushers as the organist plays the following carol. They may be extinguished following the Unison Prayer.)

*CAROL 138 "Silent Night, Holy Night"

*PRAYER FOR CHRISTMAS (In unison)

O God, who has made this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light, may the Star of Christmas shine more radiantly now than ever before with the Light of Peace on Earth. Amen.

*BENEDICTION



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Let Light Shine out of darkness

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December 26, 1971 Christmas Sunday 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE In Dulci Jubilo J.S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP I John 4:9,10

Pastor: "This is how God showed his love for us:
People: He sent his only Son into the world
that we might have life through Him.
Pastor: This is what love is:
People: it is not that we have loved God,
but that He loved us..."
Choir: Glory to God

INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 119 "As with Gladness Men of Old"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 8
* Gloria Patri
NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 2:1-15

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION
for Officers, Committees, and Boards
ordination and installation of Deacons
SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Twofold Amen
CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Carol 129 "It Came upon the Midnight Clear"
THE OFFERING
Offertory Solo "Sweet Little Jesus Boy"
Mrs. Douglas Williams
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Not Three Gifts But Four

CAROL 141 "The First Nowell"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Threefold Amen

POSTLUDE O Sanctissimo Traditional

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Dr. and Mrs. J.O. Atkinson and Mrs. R.T. Bradford by the Family.

THE SERVICE OF INSTALLATION is held today for those elected by the congregation as officers, or members of committees or boards. We also ordain John Barney and Louis Wilkins as Deacons. They are installed along with Howard Edgerton who had been ordained previously.

COLLEGE STUDENTS are invited to the parsonage this evening at eight o'clock for an informal fellowship with refreshments.

THE SACRAMENT of Holy Communion will be celebrated next Sunday, the first Sunday in the new year.

ARTICLES for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Oakley who celebrated their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on December 24.

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS **December 26, 1971**

SAY "MERRY CHRISTMAS"

Say "Merry Christmas!"
Say it, write it, sing it, shout it!
Celebrate! Every way you can, Man—everywhere you can,
Wherever you can—and mean it.

When you send that greeting
To Vietnam, Middle East—where war was, or is or could be,
Say "Merry Christmas!"—but add a postscript,
P.S.—"Peace on earth—on *all* the earth,
In Jesus' name," then work for peace.
Say "Good will to man—to every man,"
And live it, act it, every day!
Let's take a Merry Christmas
To the cannots, the have-nots—yes, and to the care-nots
Who laugh at Christmas, or skip it altogether.

Merry Christmas to all of us here today.
Let's say it deep down—pray it and resolve.
Let our worship be worthy! Our greeting sincere!
Let Jesus Christ live in us—and in our church today.

—*Samuel F. Pugh,* editor
World Call, mission magazine of
The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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by the Light shall the Nations walk

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Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

January 2, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Adoro Te Devote Peeters

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty
Prayer of Invocation
*HYMN 251 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

*UNISON PRAYER
Almighty God, we would give thanks for all thy benefits bestowed upon us in the past year. Grant us, we pray, a favorable and joyful year, defend us from all danger, and send us the fulness of thy blessing; through Jesus Christ, thy Son and our Lord. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING II Corinthians 4
* Gloria Patri
THE PASTORAL PRAYER with Choral Amen
Pastor: The Lord be with you
People: And with thy spirit
Pastor: Let us pray:
MEDITATION Wise Men Walk By Faith

THE OFFERING
Offertory Solo "How Beautiful Upon The Mountain"
Mr. Thurman
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication
THE SERVICE OF COMMUNION
The Invitation of Christ
Communion Collect
General Confession (in unison) Hymnal, P. 495

Assurance of Pardon
Words of Institution
Distribution of the Elements
Thanksgiving
*HYMN 97 "God of Our Life"

*THE PLEDGE OF DEDICATION (in unison)
We pledge ourselves
to follow through the coming year
the light which God gives us:
the light of Truth,
the light of Freedom,
the light of Faith,
the light of Love.
Guided by this light,
we shall go forward to the work
of another year
with steadfastness and confidence.
*BENEDICTION
Choral Response Threefold Amen
*POSTLUDE Herzlich Thut Mich Erfreuen Brahms

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THE HOLY COMMUNION is served today to all confirmed members of Christ's Church. We celebrate "Open Communion", inviting all professing Christians to join us in this Sacrament of Faith.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Miss Ruth Dunn in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Dunn, Sr., and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A.S. Dunn.

CIRCLES of the Women's Fellowship meet this week as announced in "The Torch".

THE INTERPRETIVE MOVEMENT CHOIR will resume practice tomorrow at 3:30 in the Parish House. All girls in grades 4,5,and 6 are welcome to join.

by the Light shall the Nations Walk

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS **January 2, 1972**

Revelation 21:22–22:5

The Genesis narratives proclaim God's light in creation.
Paul's letters proclaim Jesus Christ as God's light in liberation.
Revelation proclaims God himself as the light in the new creation.
"They need no light of lamp or sun . . . the Lord God will be their light."
But not only a light to be liturgically celebrated;
He is a light to be ethically incarnated.
Not only a light about which Christians shall talk;
He is a light by which nations shall walk.

MISSION TO AMERICA

Mission *to* America? Missionaries to *us?*

What a switch! We Americans are so used to sending our missionaries "over there"—where the gospel is unknown or unheeded. But what could we "good" American Christians need?

The paramount fact of the 20th century has been the dominance of American world power. But we are not used to thinking about the ways in which decisions and actions of Americans in business, in government, in education and in churches affect the lives of people in other parts of the world. To counter this, joint programs of national and overseas mission boards of many denominations have sought to cast the light of the living Christian gospel upon American moral and ethical behavior in the international use of political and economic power.

This program is carried out in the U. S. by fraternal workers home on furlough and by churchmen invited from other nations. From the international perspective of these concerned Christians, many American churchmen have come to a sharply new understanding of the gospel and how it inspires the struggle of the powerless for justice—in these United States no less than in the world community.

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...called out of darkness into his marvelous light

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January 9, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Prelude and Fugue in A Minor J.S.Bach

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit Praise Ye the Lord
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
O thou ever-living God, who art present when thy people gather in thy Name, give us now a freshness of spirit and the will to worship worthily. Unite us with all who worship thee in little groups and in great congregations in all lands, that we may give thee the glory due thy Name.
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 372 "How Firm a Foundation"

THE LIVING WORD
Old Testament Micah 4:1-4
New Testament Romans 15:1-7, 18-33
* The Gloria Patri

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The silent prayers of the people
The pastor's prayer for the people
Choral Response Father, Hear our Prayer

THE SPOKEN WORD
Anthem O Land of Rest and Quiet J. Sweney
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 391 "Be Thou My Vision" (st. 1,2)
Sermon Plan Ahead

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Chorale in E Major (Andante) C.Franck

* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn 383 "Forward Through the Ages"

* Benediction

* Choral Response Sevenfold Amen

* Postlude Passacaglia Young

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in honor of Mr. J.M. Cheek on his ninetieth birthday by Dr. and Mrs. Paul Cheek.

THE SENIOR HIGH YOUTH meet this afternoon from four until five-thirty at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Post.

THE INTERPRETIVE CHOIR will rehearse tomorrow at 3:30 in the Parish House.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS meets this evening at 7:30.

CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHER planning sessions begin Monday evening through Thursday evening this week and next. Please come according to the schedule you have received.

WEEKDAY KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATIONS are now being received for the fall term. Church members may have priority until February 15, after which we shall accept all registrations as received until the quota is filled. Please call the church office.

ARTICLES for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning.

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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY **January 9, 1972**

I Peter 2:4-10

Christians, who are you?
"A chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people"?
With such Old Testament imagery, First Peter describes the church.
Why? To portray the church as a privileged faction?
No! To challenge it as a people of action.
To show forth a call that is convincingly real,
A call for a life whose deeds mercifully heal.
Christians, who are you?

THE PASTOR'S ROLE IN THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

Recently, members of a committee studying theological education discussed three propositions: In general, a community is not better than its churches. In general, a church is not better than its minister. In general, a minister is not better than his training.

Whatever truth these statements contain, the committee decided the pastor has a responsibility for decisive leadership. As one church leader commented, "The pastor must be a multiplier, never a dead-ender." He must manifest the contagion of the gospel so that it spreads through him to his people, and through them to the near-world and the farthest parts of the earth. He by no means has a monopoly upon this role. But when the pastor succeeds in multiplying the effects of the gospel, the church surges with new life.

This commonplace truth underscores the necessity for effective and continuing theological education for pastors. The role of the pastor in the ministry of the church is so crucial that only the best possible preparation for his task has a chance of being good enough. Only education that never ends will equip him to relate the Good News to a world that is ever new.

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confined under the law...
...until Christ came

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January 16, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Ciacona J. Pachelbe

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Help us, O God, to walk worthy of our calling as Christians. In our dealings with others, help us to be gentle and patient, forbearing one another in love. Unite us, too, in the prayer of our Master:
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 15 "Praise To The Lord, The Almighty"

THE LIVING WORD
Old Testament Deuteronomy 10:18-2
New Testament The Good Samaritar
(enacted by Interpretive Movement Choir)
* The Gloria Patri

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The silent prayers of the people
The pastor's prayer for the people
Choral Response Father, Hear our Prayer

THE SPOKEN WORD
Anthem O Sacred Head Arr. Christianser
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 357 "Strong Son of God"
Sermon Love of Neighbor Through the Systems

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Song of Hope J. Jongen

* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn 381 "My Faith, It Is an Oaken Staff"

* Benediction

* Choral Response Threefold Amen

* Postlude In God There Is Strength M. Dupre

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Dr. H.H. Cunningham by Mrs. H.H. Cunningham and daughters.

THE SENIOR HIGH YOUTH will meet today at 6:30 in the Parish House with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Blanchard as counselors.

THE INTERPRETIVE CHOIR rehearses tomorrow at 3:30 in the Parish House.

CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHER planning sessions continue on Monday through Thursday evenings this week. Please come according to the schedule you have received.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the congregation will be next Sunday evening at 7:30. Mimeographed copies of the reports and the 1972 Membership Directory will be available.

ALL STANDING COMMITTEES and the Board of Trustees will meet next Sunday evening at 6:45.

...until Christ

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY **January 16, 1972**

Galatians 3:23-29

How do you view human history? One Jewish view in Paul's day saw three segments: the time of chaos, the time of the law, and the time of the Messiah (the Christ). Paul may have shared this view. In any case, he saw in Jesus, the Christ. The law had fulfilled its function. The day of the Christ had dawned. In Christ, the full power of the Spirit, symbolized by the dove, was at work. Thus, to be baptized means to "put on" the new life in Christ that levels all human barriers and demonstrates "faith working through love." In what time do you live?

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Every now and then we read that some theologians from different churches have achieved a consensus on some controversial issue like the ministry, unity, or the sacraments. The latest such consensus is a statement on "The Eucharist in the Life of the Church," an agreement by nineteen theologians who are themselves members of eleven different communions—American Lutheran Church, Church of the Brethren, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Society of Friends, Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, Roman Catholic Church, Russian Orthodox Church, Southern Baptist Church, United Church of Christ, United Methodist Church, and United Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

Wouldn't the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity be an ideal starting point for (though not a completion of) a year's ecumenical activity, the attempt to achieve consensus among lay Christians on some of these issues? One serious drawback to the progress of the ecumenical movement has long been its inability to communicate what goes on in small and elite theological circles to the broad membership of the churches. If ecumenical groups of Christians were to discuss the meaning of the Eucharist, the Holy Communion, in their own lives, its relationship to the church, to unity, to organizational structures, their understanding of the presence of Christ in the Lord's Supper, would their consensus statements in any way resemble those of the theologians? They very well might. Or they might not.

—*Sister Ann Patrick Ware*, S. L.
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Christ

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January 23, 1972 11:00 A. M.

PRELUDE Partita F. Peeters

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit- Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
O Lord our God, touch our spirits with thy Spirit that we may be made one in our worship, through Jesus Christ our Savior whose prayer we would make our own:
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 8 "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

THE LIVING WORD
Old Testament Psalm 119: 33-40
New Testament Luke 5: 1-11
* The Gloria Patri

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The silent prayers of the people
The pastor's prayer for the people
Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

THE SPOKEN WORD
Anthem Come, Come, Ye Saints Davis
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 223 "O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing"
Sermon <u>If You Can't Go Yourself</u>

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Sonata II (Adagio) Mendelssohn

* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn 322 "Jesus Calls Us"

* Benediction

* Choral Response Threefold Amen

* Postlude Wunderbarer M. Reger

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Chester Huey by Mrs. Huey

THE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to the Family upon the death of Mr. H. D. Lambeth, Sr. on January 19. A Memorial Service was held here yesterday.

A JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP is being formed for all seventh and eighth graders. The first meeting will be next Sunday evening at six o'clock in the Parish House. Everyone come for a movie and pizza.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS has approved January 26 through February 1 as a portion of the Pastor's vacation. Though out of town, he may be reached in any emergency or need by calling the church office or Mrs. D. Marsh McLelland.

ONE BODY

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY **January 23, 1972**

Romans 12:1-8

Jesus was a Jew. Paul was a Jew. But both broke down the walls between Jew and non-Jew, slave and free, male and female, "religious" and sinner. Jesus did this in his ministry. Paul carried it forward and kept this wall-shattering understanding of Jesus from being perverted into simply another Jewish sect. He called the new community "the body of Christ." With such a heritage, how sad it is when the church becomes a barrier-building club rather than a barrier-breaking community, a fragmented fraud rather than a functioning fellowship.

DIALOGUE IN KANSAI

Residents of a suburb of Kyoto, Japan's ancient capital, have become accustomed to the stream of people who come through the town to the Nippon Christian Academy's Kansai Seminar House. Built just beneath the brow of a low tree-covered hill, the Seminar House hosts a wide variety of groups. Young leaders of Japan's new religions meet to talk about the new life-style of today's youth. Labor union leaders discuss the problems of foreign capital investment in Japan. Architects and artists share their insights with religious leaders. Medical doctors meet to discuss the problems of medical education and training and of professional ethics. Members of department store staff come to talk about their personal/professional development and their relationship to local industry. High-school teachers and university professors discuss present-day educational problems. Christian staff of the center (or Christian experts—lay or clerical) are present to provide Christian insight, input, and questions for the "dialogue." Over the past several years, nearly a thousand people each month have come to the Kansai Seminar House for such meetings, taking advantage of the church-sponsored facilities for overnight "retreats" which so easily occasion serious reflection and dialogue.

As early as 1958, local pastors in the Kansai region began talking with university professors about what might happen if such dialogue could be encouraged between Christians and largely non-Christian economic, political, and religious groups. With the help of secular community groups and of church groups from as far away as Germany and America (our United Church Board for World Ministries helped), their dream came to reality. The Seminar House itself reflects the Japanese church's concern to become the vital center from which a spirit of Christian concern, reconciliation, and love can flow into the world.

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January 30, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Prayer Guilmant

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit- Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
O Lord our God, we come as Thou hast invited us, seeking strength in our weakness and refreshment of our spent energies. Let this hour be so radiant with thy presence that all our hours may find new beauty, purpose, and meaning.
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 22 "We Praise Thee, O God"
THE LIVING WORD
Old Testament II Samuel 23: 13-17
New Testament John 15: 1-13
* The Gloria Parti
THE WORD OF PRAYER
The silent prayers of the people
The pastor's prayer for the people
Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord
THE SPOKEN WORD
Anthem Holy Art Thou Handel
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 228 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"
Sermon <u>What The World Needs is Love</u>
Dr. Danieley

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Prelude Kreiger

The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 400 "More Love To Thee"

Benediction

Choral Response Threefold Amen

Postlude Prelude in C Major Bach

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HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Mrs. Myrtie Calhoun Hale by Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Lamphier.

E WELCOME as our Guest Minister today Dr. J. Earl Danieley, President of Elon College and a member of this congregation. Pastor and Mrs. Hamilton will return on Tuesday. Our Guest Organist is Mrs. McSherry Lackey.

HE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Reddish upon the death of her brother, Harry L. Summers, on January 22 in North Wilksboro.

OPIES of the 1971 Annual Reports and current membership Directories are available in the narthex.

ONIGHT: 6:00 Jr. Hi Youth in Parish House
6:30 Sr. Hi Youth meet here to go to home of Mr. and Mrs. Wes Alexander

NOT ASHAMED

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY **January 30, 1972**

Romans 1:8-17

Scottish theologian Dr. James Stewart depicted four stages in the life of a Christian: as a child accepting Jesus, being ashamed of the gospel, being ashamed of having been ashamed, finally, becoming Christ's ambassador. Though this does not fit Paul, he did turn from being a persecutor to a proponent of Christ. He gave up a life of compulsive rule-keeping (to gain God's favor) for a new life based on the gospel of God's love for him just as he was. Such love freed him from a self-centered religion for a life of sharing the love that had made him whole.

NO PLACE TO CALL HOME

Imagine an area the size of a football field filled with shacks about 15 feet apart. The shacks are made of tin and bamboo. Mud is everywhere. There are only a very few freshwater wells. This is what a refugee camp typically looks like in South Vietnam. The daily life of its inhabitants is demoralizing. There is no land to farm or water in which to fish, although for many of the people living there farming and fishing used to be their livelihood. A recent New York Times survey estimated that the war in Indochina has produced 6,750,000 refugees in non-Communist areas, perhaps 5 million of them scattered throughout South Vietnam.

Round the world, the number of homeless persons—victims of war, intolerance, and social unrest—is estimated to be more than 17 million. However, the actual number of persons needing assistance is known to be considerably more.

Our United Church Board for World Ministries participates directly and indirectly in programs which help refugees in Africa, the Middle East, and the Far East. Nearly $150,000 each year from *Our Christian World Mission* funds, much of it from the One Great Hour of Sharing—Share Our Substance all-church offering, goes for this purpose. While the problems which make people refugees have no simple solutions, churches join with governmental and inter-governmental groups in providing food, shelter, job training and education which are badly needed in the interim for people who have no place to call home.

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TO SUFFER
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February 6, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Voluntary in A major W. Selby

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit-Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
O Thou who art the Light of the minds that know thee, the Life of the souls that love thee, and the Strength of the wills that serve thee: help us to know thee that we may love thee more truly and serve thee more faithfully. Through Jesus, our Savior we pray:
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 402 "Jesus, Where'er Thy People Meet"

THE LIVING WORD
Old Testament Psalm 103: 1-5, 19-22
New Testament II Timothy 4: 1-10
* The Gloria Patri

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The silent prayers of the people
The pastor's prayer for the people
Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

THE SPOKEN WORD
Anthem The Lord's My Shepherd Irvine
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 418 "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"
Sermon As Members of The Jury...

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Concerto No. 5 G. F. Handel

* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn 423 "Where Cross The Crowded Ways of Life"

* Benediction

* Choral Response Threefold Amen

* Postlude Concerto No. 1-Presto J. S. Bach

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Mr. C. C. Johnson by Mrs. C. C. (Oma) Johnson.

TONIGHT: 6:30 Junior High Youth
6:30 Senior High Youth Potluck Supper
7:30 Board of Deacons
7:30 Stewardship-Missionary Education Committee

THIS WEEK: Circles 1, 2, 3, and 4 meet tomorrow.... The Interpretive Movement Choir rehearses tomorrow at 3:30....The Christian Education Committee meets Tuesday evening at 7:30....A Junior Choir for children in grades 4,5, and 6 is now being formed and will hold its first rehearsal with Miss Sexton as director on Wednesday at 3:30.....Adult Choir rehearsal is Wednesday evening at 7:30.

A "HAVE A HEART" Family Night is planned for next Sunday evening at 7:00 in the Parish House. Each family is asked to bring a dessert.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY **February 6, 1972**

Church Vocations Sunday **I Peter 3:8-17**

Why do people suffer? It is a question that baffles us in cases of disease and natural disaster. Yet some suffering we do understand. Bad choices bring suffering on ourselves. Men and nations inflict suffering by acts of violence or negligence. Such suffering stems from doing wrong. But some suffering stems from doing right: Identifying with the suffering of others to help them, or being true to convictions that challenge existing patterns. Jesus suffered for such reasons. Suffering *for a healing purpose* lies at the heart of Christian vocation.

VOLUNTARY SERVICE

An American missionary-dentist in Africa trains dental technicians and brings dental care to people in outlying villages. Another American dentist served as a short-term volunteer at the Albert Schweitzer Hospital in Haiti.

One of these dentists works as a paid employee of the church; the other spared time from his private practice to work as an unpaid volunteer.

The church needs people for both long-term and short-term service. Since only a limited number of missionaries can be appointed, the opportunities for volunteers are increasing. Most volunteer assignments are for one or two months. They call for skills in teaching, tutoring, music, community organization, arts, crafts, and general recreation. Volunteers with more specialized skills are needed for one- or two-year assignments, especially overseas.

If you want to contribute your abilities, write to your denominational offices for additional information, or send for a copy of *Invest Yourself,* which lists the voluntary-service projects of 100 secular and religious organizations. Order from: The Commission on Voluntary Service and Action, Room 832, 475 Riverside Drive, New York, New York 10027. $1.00 per copy.

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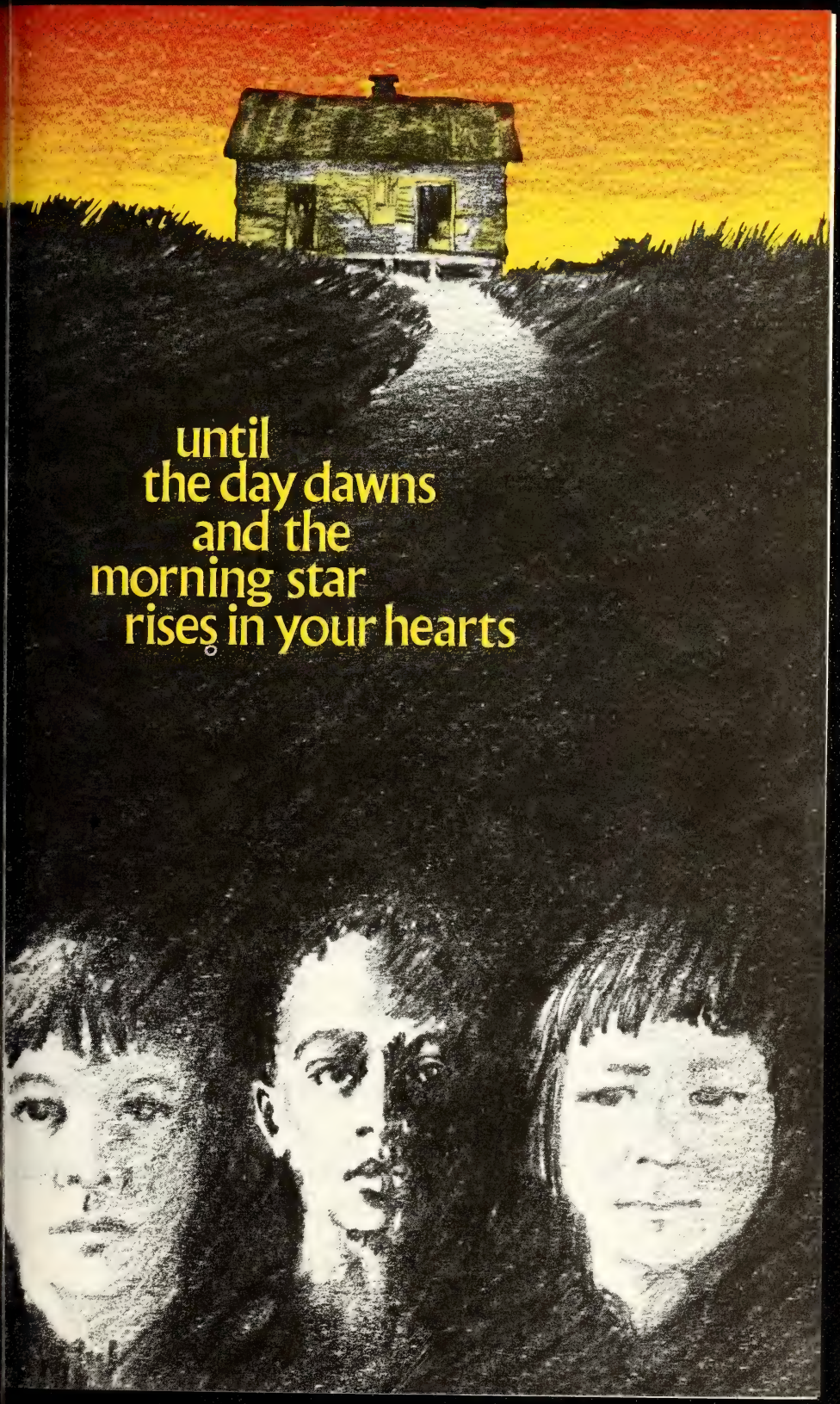
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and the
morning star
rises in your hearts

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina

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Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

February 13, 1972 11:00 A.M

PRELUDE Larghetto Tartin

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit Come To The Fathe
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Grant, O Lord, that as we seek to do your will we may surely find in the sacred page, the word of prayer, and the answering voice, light and guidance for our way of life. Through Jesus, our Savior, we pray:
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 433 "God of Our Fathers
THE LIVING WORD
Old Testament Psalm 2
New Testament Matthew 17: 1-
* The Gloria Patri
* The Responsive Reading (insert
THE WORD OF PRAYER
The silent prayers of the people
The pastor's prayer for the people
Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lor
THE SPOKEN WORD
Solo The Holy City Mr. Thurma
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 485 "This Is My Father's World
Sermon <u>They Saw No One but Jesus</u>

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Arioso J. S. Bach

* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn 218 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

* Benediction

* Choral Response Lord, Let us Now Depart in Peace

* Postlude Joyous Sabbath Kinner

*Indicates when the congregation stands

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Leroy S. Hughes in memory of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hughes and her father, Mr. W. R. Owings.

ON THIS BOY SCOUT SUNDAY we welcome all Scouts and especially Cub Scout Pack 51, sponsored by our church. Buck Bayliff is the Cub Master and Bill Ellis the Institutional Representative.

"HAVE A HEART" FAMILY NIGHT is this evening at seven in the Parish House. The program will include making valentines, a brief movie, the Interpretive Movement Choir, special music, and a surprise or two. Each family is asked to bring a dessert.

THIS WEEK: The Interpretive Movement Choir rehearses tomorrow at 3:30.....The Junior Choir for children in grades 4,5, or 6 meets Wednesday at 3:30... Articles for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning.

LENT begins on Wednesday of this week on what is known as Ash Wednesday. Our Service will be held that evening at 7:30 at the Edgewood Church. On the remaining Wednesdays of Lent we will hold our Noontime Studies, beginning February 23.

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY **February 13, 1972**

Race Relations Sunday **II Peter 1:16-19**

Many New Testament writings emerged in dark times of severe challenge to the Christian faith. Thus, they often seek to give hope and encouragement to stand fast. Second Peter, written in Peter's name probably in the 2nd century, comes from such a time. Some Christians wanted to sever the faith from the Old Testament (this happened also in Nazi Germany), but this would destroy its foundations. Today, there are still other challenges. For one, God's call to social justice, rooted in the Old Testament, includes the call to practice true racial justice now.

ONE FISH STORY THAT MUST BE HEARD

Next time you order a salmon-steak dinner, take a moment to think! Your denomination in cooperation with a number of others is fighting for the rights of American Indians in the Columbia River area of our great Northwest. The issue is the expropriation of fish by non-Indians from U. S.-Indian treaty lands.

The State of Washington has allowed some 45,000 commercial fishermen and over one-million sportsmen to fish in rivers upon which some twelve tribes (15,000 people) totally rely for their survival. The result has been such a depletion of the salmon stock that the state has established new "rules" which discriminate against the Indians. These rules, in effect, allow only the wealthy the right to fish. The state prohibits fishing from small boats and requires exorbitantly expensive boats which only corporations or the rich can afford. It requires huge license fees from all fishermen, despite the fact that the U. S. treaty with the Indians grants them perpetual rights to fish.

In past years, the total annual catch of salmon has been six and one-half million, and the Indian share of this has never exceeded eight percent. More often it is around two percent. Thus far, official and unofficial groups have sought to discourage the Indian Rights groups from pressing their claims by legal harassment in minor courts and vigilante acts of physical intimidation.

Through IFCO, the Interreligious Foundation for Community Organization, you are helping the Survival of the American Indian Association to spearhead efforts to obtain justice in state and federal courts where Indian rights are usually upheld.

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LENTEN

WORSHIP - STUDY GUIDE

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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WORSHIP

THEME: THE BEATITUDES

Suppose He is right! Suppose after all our attempts at finding happiness, Christ was right after all. Have you looked at that list lately? Using a dialogical thought process, these messages will center on discussions between a Twentieth Century Christian and Matthew, the disciple who recorded these Beatitudes.

ASH WEDNESDAY — February 16 — 7:30 P.M.

Service of Worship with Holy Communion at Edgewood Church. The Service will invite you to open the doors of Devotion, Study, Prayer, Committment, and Participation. Sermon: "What will you do with the Man?"

FEBRUARY 20:		Blessed Are The Poor in Spirit
FEBRUARY 27:		Blessed Are Those who Mourn
MARCH 5:		Blessed Are The Meek
MARCH 12:		Blessed Are Those who Hunger and Thirst for Righteousness
MARCH 19:		Blessed Are The Merciful
MARCH 26:		Blessed Are The Peacemakers
APRIL 2:	Easter Day	Blessed Are Those Who are Persecuted for Righteousness Sake

GOOD FRIDAY — MARCH 31 — 7:30 P.M.

Good Friday Service at Elon College Community Church with Edgewood congregation participating with us.

STUDY

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY - 12 'til 1:00 P.M.
(Bring a sandwich, please. Tea, coffee, and dessert will be provided.)

THEME: THE SOUNDS OF LENT
A NEW PERSPECTIVE ON TWELVE HYMNS OF THE CHURCH

FEBRUARY 23:	148 Forty Days and Forty Nights 153 Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days	Dr. W. W. Sloan
MARCH 1:	163 Ah, Holy Jesus 317 Just As I Am	Dr. Alfred Hurst
MARCH 8:	170 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded 172 There is a Green Hill	Dr. Clyde L. Fields
MARCH 15:	177 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross 160 Beneath the Cross of Jesus	Dr. John Truitt
MARCH 22:	154 O Thou Who Through This Holy Week 156 Draw Nigh to thy Jerusalem	Dr. Al Gminder
MARCH 29:	158 Go to Dark Gethsemane 179 Were You There	The Rev. Mr. Richard Rinker

CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES for all ages meet each Sunday at 9:45.

Adults are currently studying "Luke's Story of The Good News".

CONFESSION

O Thou who has made extinct
Every system of relationship,
We confess that we would prefer
To live out of past modes of authority and obedience
Rather than risk ourselves in the ambiguity and relativity
Of creating new forms of human relatedness.
Require us to turn our face to the future,
On behalf of all men
As Thy Son did...AMEN

GRATITUDE

O Thou who gives
And takes away,
We dare to claim our brokenness
As the only wholeness we shall ever know
We give thanks for the awesome dread and fascination of life
And we rejoice in the peace of total expenditure,
That peace which we see manifested
Through the broken Form
Made whole in Thee...AMEN

PETITION

O God our Father
Creator of every human need,
We who call ourselves thy Church
Know you address us in the struggles of our time.
Show us the futility of evading that life address
So that seeing what is demanded
We may be about your work in the world,
To the glory of Jesus
Christ our Lord...AMEN

INTERCESSION

Source of all time
Who has assigned us to this era,
We stand responsible that the human spirit ascend
Rather than descend into the 21st century.
In a new style of life which honors the past,
Anticipates the future, and renews the social fabric,
We take courage to stand accountable
As the one whose accountability
Led to the Cross...AMEN

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February 20, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Andante Guilmant

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit Lo, God is Here
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Most holy God, who dost search and purify the hearts of thy people, grant us to know ourselves as we truly are: as thy children, in need of thy forgiveness, strengthened by thy Spirit working within us. In Jesus Name we pray, as he taught us:
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 3 "God Himself Is With Us"

THE LIVING WORD
The Gospel Luke 18: 9-14
The Epistle Romans 5: 1-11
* The Gloria Patri

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The silent prayers of the people
The pastor's prayer for the people
Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

THE SPOKEN WORD
Anthem Immortal, Invisible God E. Thiman
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 227 "Fairest Lord Jesus"
Sermon <u>Blessed Are The Poor in Spirit</u>

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Soliloquy Schreiner

* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn 331 "Savior, Thy Dying Love"

* Benediction

* Choral Response Lord, Let us Now Depart in Peace

* Postlude Selected

*Indicates when the congregation stands

A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we greet and welcome our visitors, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the narthex, Return often.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Long in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Johnson, and her sister, Mrs. T. A. Jones.

TODAY:	6:30	Senior High Youth
	7:00	Music Committee
	7:30	Worship Committee

THIS WEEK: The Interpretive Movement Choir rehearses tomorrow at 3:30.....The Junior Choir for children in grades 4,5 or 6 meets Wednesday at 3:30... The Blue-Gold Banquet of Cub Scout Pack 51 is Thursday evening at 6:15 in the Parish House.

THE LENTEN NOONTIME STUDIES begin this week on Wednesday. The first session will be led by Dr. Sloan, starting at twelve o'clock and adjourning by one o'clock. Bring a sandwich; coffee, tea, and dessert will be provided.

DEVOTIONAL GUIDES for March-April are available on the Literature Table in the Narthex.

GOD HAS PROMISED

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT **February 20, 1972**

James 1:12-18

God's promises point to a pilgrim way
That may involve trial and temptation;
But he remains faithful through every change,
With him there is no variation.
A promise fulfilled is never an end;
It turns into new expectation,
Seeking to know the fruits of his love—
The crown of life in his creation.

GRACE TO USE OUR ABSTINENCE

For some time, the discipline of fasting—the voluntary restriction of consumption, the deliberate practice of abstinence—has been alien to both the general culture and the dominant practice of the Christian community. The Christian life has been identified more with the joyous use of God's abundance than with the disciplined restraint of man's desires. Even the practice of "giving up something for Lent" has become less widespread.

The dangers in public displays of abstinence are obvious—pride, hypocrisy, a false sense of righteousness because of good works. Yet the description of Jesus fasting for forty days and forty nights, often recalled on the first Sunday in Lent, calls attention to the fact that an ascetic style has been one dimension of the Christian life from the very beginning.

Today, a life of disciplined restraint is called for, not by some arbitrary rule, but by the facts of man's life and the necessities of his world. Unbridled consumption brings about not only the depletion of resources but also the pollution of air and water and earth. Lack of restraint in eating and drinking endangers the health of great numbers of people, and "Weightwatchers" becomes a community of mutual support and compassion.

Thus, the reality beneath this external form of discipline developed by the church in Lent comes to light. There is a new urgency and a new meaning to restraint, to fasting, to abstinence. The beginning of a prayer for the first Sunday in Lent speaks to men's condition in venerable language but with contemporary urgency: "O Lord, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights, give us grace to use such abstinence."

—*Harry Baker Adams* Associate Dean
Yale Divinity School New Haven, Conn.

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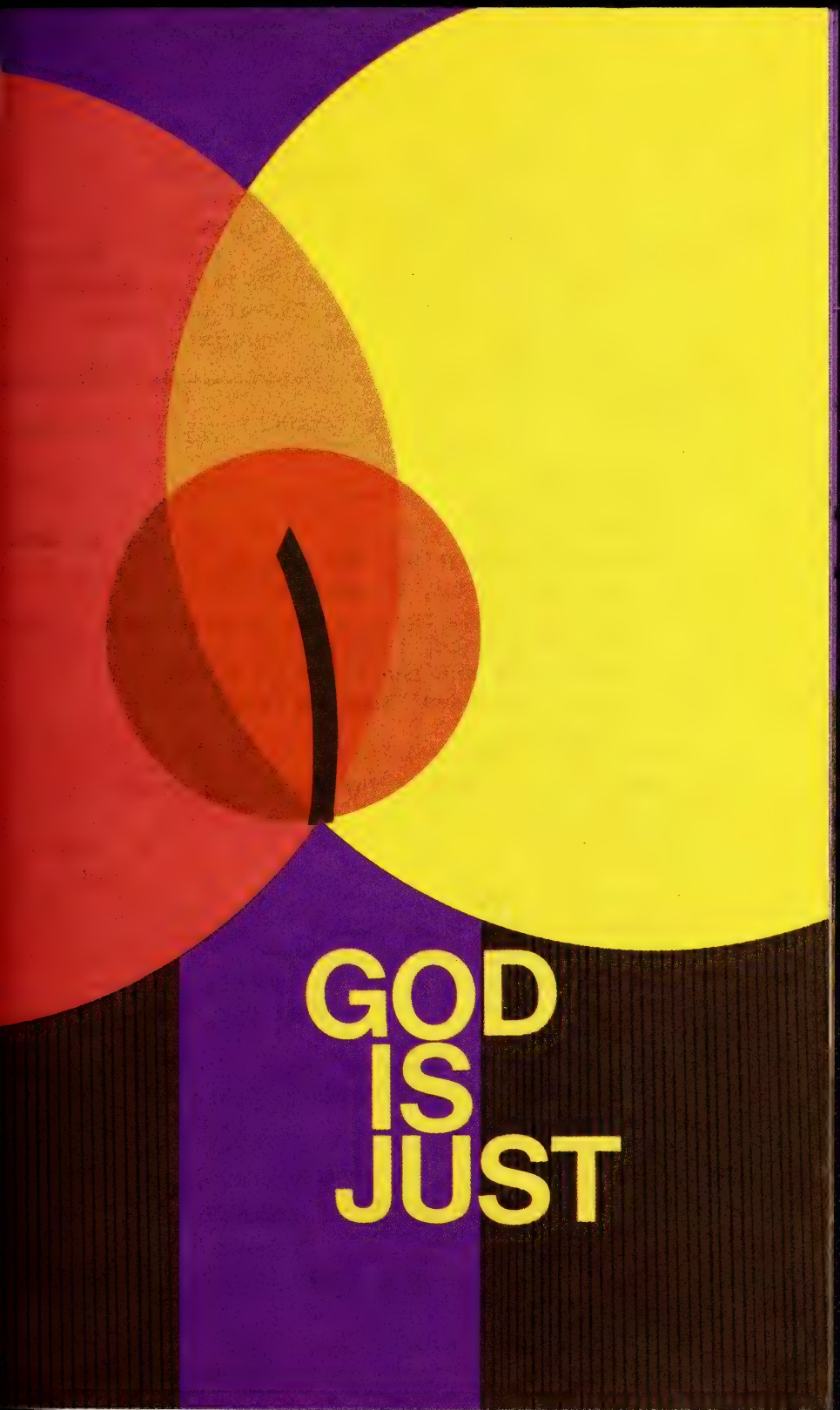
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February 27, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Contemplation Guilmant

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit Lo, God is Here
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Help us, O God, to make this a day of returning and rest, a day of quietness and confidence, that we may enter into the joy and the power of thy salvation. In Jesus' Name we pray, as he taught us:
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 19 "Praise The Lord, His Glories Show"

THE LIVING WORD
The Gospel John 14
The Epistle Romans 8
* The Gloria Patri

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The silent prayers of the people
The pastor's prayer for the people
Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

THE SPOKEN WORD
Solo Lamb of God J. Grimm
Mrs. McSherry Lackey, Soprano
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 269 "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"
Sermon Blessed Are Those Who Mourn

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Andante Franck

* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn 399 "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"

* Benediction

* Choral Response-Lord, Let us Now Depart in Peace

* Postlude Glory in The Highest Van Hulse

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TODAY:

6:30	Junior High Youth
6:30	Senior High Youth
7:30	Executive Board, Women's Fellowship

THIS WEEK: The Interpretive Movement Choir rehearses tomorrow at 3:30.....The Junior Choir for children in grades 4,5 or 6 meets Wednesday at 3:30... Articles for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. D. Milton Huffine and Grandparents Mr. and Mrs. George A. Noah upon the birth of Charles Dwight Huffine on February 20.

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. John G. Truitt, Sr. at County; Mr. Henry Motley at Memorial.

THE LENTEN NOONTIME STUDIES meet every Wednesday during Lent. This week the session will be led by Dr. Alfred Hurst. Bring a sandwich; coffee, tea, and dessert will be provided.

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT **February 27, 1972**

I John 1:5 – 2:2

God's justice is not the kind that we know:
To punish the wrong and reward the right.
It is a justice that seeks to "make whole,"
To bring us forgiveness and light.
Such whole-making justice in Jesus his son
Is not just for personal salvation;
It calls for a life in response to his love
That makes brothers of every nation.

LEADERSHIP XXI

Education is always important. You may well have noticed the fact that it is taking more and more money to pay for the proper education of children in the United States. The monies come out of your taxes! But what about educating children in other lands? More and more, governments have assumed the responsibility for educating their children and youth, and yet the task is almost everwhelming in many places. This is particularly so in what we call the "Third World," the large sections of Latin America, Africa, and Asia where governments are struggling to achieve self-development. In many of these areas, the church can still provide a helping hand. Leadership programs of our United Church Board for World Ministries have contributed to the education of administrators, educators, government experts, writers, editors, and broadcasters.

Today, we are aware of the increasingly rapid changes in all phases of life. In order for the leaders of tomorrow, the twenty-first century, to cope with a "new" world, they need to be educated today.

The Leadership XXI program of the Board seeks to meet this critical challenge for Third World leadership in the twenty-first century. This program, which has a goal of $300,000 to be expended in five years, will be one of the recipients of the Family Thank Offering this year. All of this depends on your generous support.

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March 5, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Chorale in F J. S. Bach

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit Lo, God is Here
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Our God and Father, as we turn in prayer and thought to Thee this day, grant that we may be taught by thy Holy Spirit to our spiritual nourishment and growth in grace. Through Jesus, our Lord, whose prayer we make our own:
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 68 "I Sing The Mighty Power of God"

THE LIVING WORD
Old Testament Psalm 37:1-11
Gospel Luke 23:32-43
* The Gloria Patri

THE WORD OF PRAYER
Anthem "Lord, We Thy Presence Seek" C. H. Davis
The silent prayers of the people
The pastor's prayer for the people
Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

THE SPOKEN WORD
Anthem "In Christ There is No East or West"
Interpretive and Adult Choirs
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 300 "Rise Up, O Men of God"
Sermon Blessed Are The Meek

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Andante con moto Mendelssohn

* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn 319 "Just As I Am"

* Benediction

* Choral Response Lord, Let us Now Depart in Peace

* Postlude Selected

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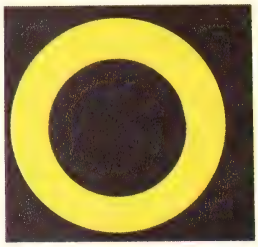
TODAY: 3:30 Camp Show at First Christian Church
6:30 Senior High Youth
7:30 Board of Deacons

THIS WEEK: The Interpretive Movement Choir rehearses tomorrow at 3:30....The Junior Choir for children in grades 4,5 or 6 meets Wednesday at 3:30... The Adult Choir rehearses Wednesday evening at 7:30.....Next Sunday is One Great Hour of Sharing.

FAMILY NIGHT is Tuesday evening at 6:15 at the MacFarland Building. Please bring a covered dish for your family and a few more. A Concert by the Lebanon Valley College Choir will follow at 7:30 at the Church.

THE LENTEN NOONTIME STUDIES meet every Wednesday during Lent. This week the session will be led by Dr. Clyde Fields. Please bring a sandwich; coffee, tea, and dessert will be provided.



THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT **March 5, 1972**

Colossians 3:12-17

God's forgiveness is not a cheap way for us all
To wipe clean the slate of our past.
It is not a ground to repeat our mistakes
But a gift of new life that will last:
A life that itself has learned how to forgive,
To give the joy of a new start,
That in all we do in both word and in deed
We reflect God's love-healing heart.

"THE BIBLE IS NOT DEAD"

From Southern Africa, an imprisoned Black African wrote this verse memorializing an Englishman who was expelled from the country because of liberal racial views and activities.

White son of my father, go well.
I know you could not stay as my
guest and friend in my kraal [home],
Because your brother Caesar
Won't have you sleep in my hut,
drinking from my calabashes
and eating from my pot.
But know always that you made me
know that the Bible is not dead.

United Church of Christ missionaries, too, have been deported or denied reentry visas for similar reasons. The testimony of their lives has assured Black Africans that "the Bible is not dead."

Today, many residents of Southern Africa have fled from governmental terror and oppression, and thousands of refugee peoples crowd Congo, Kenya, Malawi, Tanzania, Uganda, and Zambia. Our help for such refugee people is largely supported through the One Great Hour of Sharing-Share Our Substance all-church offering.

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GOD SHOWS HIS LOVE

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March 12, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Prelude in Classic Style G. Young

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit Come To The Father
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Our God and Father, in this hour together help us to know you as you know us, to love you as you love us, to seek you as you seek us. We offer our worship in the Name of Jesus, whose prayer we make our own:
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 206 "Ye Servants of God"

THE LIVING WORD
Old Testament Micah 6: 1-8
Gospel Matthew 19: 16-22
* The Gloria Patri

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The silent prayers of the people
The pastor's prayer for the people
Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

THE SPOKEN WORD
Anthem Seek Ye The Lord Roberts
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 268 "Lord, We Thank Thee for Our Brothers"
Sermon Blessed Are Those Who Hunger And Thirst For Righteousness

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Sonata #1-Andante W. A. Mozart

* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn 170 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

* Benediction

* Choral Response Threefold Amen

* Postlude The Heavens Declare Marcello

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TODAY: 3:30 Senior High Youth meet here to go bowling.
6:30 Junior High Youth

A SPECIAL OFFERING is received today for the One Great Hour of Sharing, an ecumenical ministry in fifty trouble spots throughout the world. Your moneys give hope to the hungry, the homeless, and the helpless.

THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP General Meeting is tomorrow evening at 7:30 in the Parish House. All women are invited. Dr. James Lightbourne will be the guest speaker.

THIS WEEK: The Interpretive Movement Choir will not rehearse...The Junior Choir for children in grades 4,5, or 6 meets Wednesday at 3:30....The Adult Choir rehearses Wednesday evening at 7:30...The Christian Education Committee meets Tuesday evening at 7:30..Articles for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT **March 12, 1972**

One Great Hour of Sharing—Share Our Substance **Romans 5:1-11**

God's love is no quick, sentimental delight;
It deals with the depths of existence,
Meeting our helplessness, suffering, and sin
With the grace of his persistence.
His love for us all shown in Jesus our Lord
Does not come because we deserve it.
He gives it because everyone in the world
Needs love which none of us ever can merit.

WHEN DISASTER STRIKES, HERE'S HOPE!

In a world that has experienced seventy-five wars since the end of World War II, a world that has had over twenty-million refugees, a world where more than twenty-four natural disasters strike each year, and where another person dies of malnutrition every time one of us breathes, the annual One Great Hour of Sharing-Share Our Substance all-church offering provides hope.

- Here's hope for the more-than-twelve-million East Pakistan refugees who have fled to India as a result of civil strife in their homeland.
- Here's hope for the people of a drought-stricken Brazilian village where they say, "If it were not for the food and aid . . . a lot more crosses in the cemeteries!"
- Here's hope in the form of planned parenthood information for those sitting on the time bomb of overpopulation.
- Here's hope of a better education for potential leaders of the world's developing nations.
- Here's hope in the form of food-for-wages for those who need roads and dams, wells and schools.
- Here's hope for social and economic justice as the church invests human and material resources in self-help development projects.

In the name of Christ, give hope!

—*Roland K. Huff*
Associate Secretary, Unified Promotion
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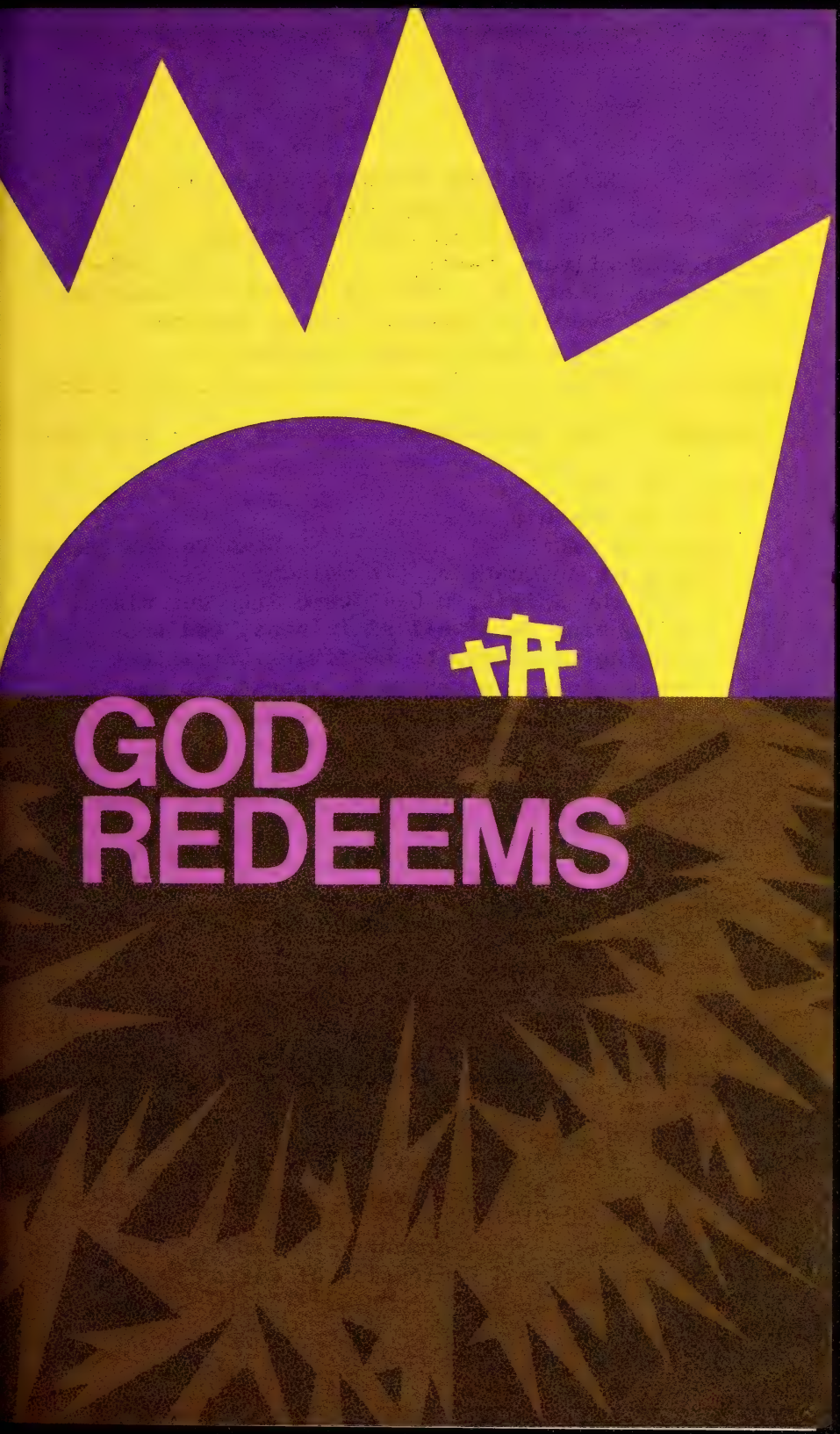
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March 19, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE The Royal Banners Forward Go Van Hulse

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit Come To The Father
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
Let thy Spirit, O God, come into our midst, cleansing us of all sinfulness, and preparing us always to be living sacrifices unto thee. So may we be renewed in the joy of thy salvation. In the Name of Jesus, we pray as he taught us:
The Lord's Prayer
* Hymn 13 "Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him"

THE LVING WORD
Gospel Luke 6: 27-38
Epistle Romans 12: 9-21
* The Gloria Patri

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The silent prayers of the people
The pastor's prayer for the people
Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

THE SPOKEN WORD
Anthem Come, Christians C. Mueller
Welcome
Children's Sermon
* Hymn 317 "I Love To Tell The Story"
Sermon Blessed Are The Merciful

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING
Offertory Andante J. S. Bach
* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 177 "When I Survey The Wondrous Cross"

Benediction

Choral Response Threefold Amen

Postlude Selected

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HE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Melva Foster in memory of her mother, Mrs. Ersley S. Foster.

ODAY: 6:30 Senior High Youth
7:15 Worship Committee
7:30 Stewardship-Missionary Education Committee

HIS WEEK: The Interpretive Movement Choir rehearses tomorrow at 3:30...The Outreach Committee meets Tuesday evening at 7:30....The Scout Committee meets Tuesday evening at 7:30...The Junior Choir for children in grades 4,5, or 6 meets Wednesday at 3:30....The Music Committee meets next Sunday evening at 7:30.

ERSONS who would like to place Easter Lilies in the Chancel on April 2 are asked to call the Church office as soon as possible.

HE LENTEN NOONTIME STUDIES meet every Wednesday during Lent. This week the session will be led by Dr. Al Gminder. Please bring a sandwich; coffee, tea, and dessert will be provided.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE will be held here on March 31 at 7:30 P.M.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT **March 19, 1972**

Hebrews 9:11-15

Just what does it mean that in Christ God redeems?
That his death is the source of our life?
Isn't it just old and obsolete talk
That now fails to touch human strife?
Or can it still point to our desperate need
For a self-giving love that can heal?
That reaches and knows even death on a cross
To restore us to life that is real?

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

Ever since Gutenberg published his famous Bible in 1456, religious books have represented an important part of publishing. Today, however, the titles of the more than twenty books published by the United Church Press each year reveal a variety heretofore unknown in religious publishing.

Some of these books bring information about some aspect of the church to a specialized audience. *Ex-Pastors,* for instance, helps church leaders to discover ways in which ex-pastors can be encouraged to remain within the pastoral ministry or to discover new and creative alternate ministries. *The Fragmented Layman,* in a searching analysis of the membership of the United Church of Christ, identifies the close relationship which frequently occurs between devotional life and a social conscience.

Other books define and discuss important social issues—the military-industrial complex, sexuality, alcoholism, violence and revolution.

Now marketed through both church-related and commercial bookstores, United Church Press books may be available in your own community. There is something there for everyone.

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GOD HAS HIGHLY EXALTED HIM

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Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

March 26, 1972 Palm Sunday 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Maestoso G. F. Handel

PRAISE TO GOD
Call to Worship
Choral Introit Lo, God is Here
Prayer of Invocation (in unison)
We open the gates of the temple, O God, that Christ may enter in. Here may he find all ready for his coming - not pride nor pomp, but a humble shrine, a beauty of holiness, the praises of choirs and organ, words sincerely spoken, prayers of faith and love. Come, Lord Jesus. Amen.

* Hymn 195 "All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name"

THE LIVING WORD
Gospel Luke 19: 29-42
Epistle Romans 7: 14-25
* The Gloria Patri

THE WORD OF PRAYER
The silent prayers of the people
The pastor's prayer for the people
Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

THE SPOKEN WORD
Anthem Hallelujah Chorus Beethoven
Welcome
Children's Sermon
Hymn 317 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"
(To be sung by the congregation and enacted by Interpretive Movement Choir)
Sermon <u>Blessed Are The Peacemakers</u>

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory "Days of Sorrow Shall Have An Ending"
Mrs. McSherry Lackey, Soprano

The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 156 "Draw Nigh To Thy Jerusalem"

Benediction

Choral Response Threefold Amen

Postlude Christ Shall Reign Scheidt

*Indicates when the congregation stands

SSISTING in the Service today are the Interpretive Choir, Adult Choir, Mrs. Lackey, Soloist, and Tom Hamilton and Mickey Maney, Trumpeters.

HE PALMS on the Altar are given to the Glory of God in memory of The Reverend John Kittenger and Patricia Kittenger by the Family. Following the Service, each family may receive a palm branch to take home.

ODAY: 4:00 Junior High Youth, Senior High Youth, and Experimental Class will meet here to go to Greensboro to see "Beyond the Dream".

7:30 Music Committee meets in the Hunter Room.

HIS WEEK: The Interpretive Movement Choir rehearses tomorrow at 3:30...Cub Pack 51 meets Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the Parish House...Junior Choir is Wednesday at 3:30, Adult Choir at 7:30...Easter Egg Hunt for children through grade 2 is Saturday at 11:00...Articles for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning...The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated next Sunday...

HE COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE will be held here at 7:30 Friday evening. The congregations of Edgewood, Shallowford, and Union Ridge will be with us.

PALM SUNDAY **March 26, 1972**

Jesus saw himself as Messiah in the light of Isaiah's ancient prophecy of a "suffering servant of the Lord." The disciples and the Palm Sunday crowd could not see that Jesus, as God's servant *par excellence,* must accomplish his task by pain and death. Yet this is the only way to see Jesus' true nature.

So the confrontation of Palm Sunday is a conflict that still goes on. People continue to misunderstand Jesus. They continue to hope that he will make injustice disappear, make pain stop, and make evil vanish. But God's way is a path of suffering and death today, just as it has always been. God continues to work through servants who may lose, and become unpopular, and be humiliated, and die in obedience to their Lord. The real sign of Palm Sunday is not the palm but the solemn figure who rides on a donkey.

A faithful church must follow that sign of the "suffering servant."

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April 2, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE I Know That My Redeemer Liveth Handel
Mrs. McSherry Lackey, Soprano

CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. W. T. Scott

*HYMN 182 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

*INTROIT

Pastor: The day has come at last; lent has past, and we live in the season of Easter.

People: God help us to rejoice and be glad, to feel the reality and wonder of the resurrection with our whole beings.

Pastor: May the reality of Easter awaken depth of feeling and purpose in all our lives so we can look at life and death, and shout "Hooray!".

Choir: "Thine is the Glory"

CHORAL READING FOR EASTER

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 28

THE PASTORAL PRAYER Choral Response

SERMON Blessed Are Those Who Are Persecuted For Righteousness' Sake
Mr. Hamilton

THE EASTER LILIES in the Chancel are given to the Glory of God by:

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Ellis in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Ellis, Sr. and Mr. William E. Keppler

The Rev. and Mrs. Thomas R. Hamilton in memory of their fathers, Mr. Melvin R. Hamilton and Mr. Gordon L. Whitener

Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Hurst in memory of The Rev. and Mrs. A. P. Hurst and The Rev. and Mrs. A. R. Lamb

The Family, in memory of The Rev. John Kittenger and Patricia Kittenger

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Rich, in memory of The Rev. J. W. Patton

The. Rev. and Mrs. Richard Rinker in memory of his mother, Mrs. William Rinker and her parents and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Glidden and Ronald Glidden

Mrs. Ruth Rogers, in memory of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Wicker and her sister, Mrs. Annie Laurie Wicker Johnston

Dr. and Mrs. John G. Truitt, in honor of The Rev. Thomas R. Hamilton and Family

Mr. and Mrs. Worden J. Updyke Jr., in honor of their parents, The Rev. and Mrs. Worden J. Updyke, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. William Goodway

THE OFFERING

Offertory Anthem Hosanna J. Granier

E. Thurman, soloist

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Invitation

Communion Collect, Hymnal page 495

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

The Communion

* Prayer of Thanksgiving, Hymnal page 496

*HYMN 181 "Alleluia! The Strife is O'er"

*BENEDICTION Dr. W. T. Scott

Choral Response Hallelujah Chorus

*POSTLUDE Christ Reigneth Forever Van Hulse

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*Congregation will stand

WELCOME to all who share our worship on this Easter Sunday and especially to the visitors among us. Visitors are asked to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex or one of the cards in the pews. Our common practice is to observe "Open Communion", inviting all professing Christians to join us in this Sacrament of faith.

THE CHORAL READING for Easter was written by Pastor John Buttrey of New Brighton, Minnesota, directed by Mrs. Post, and presented by the following young people of our church: Emily Alexander, Buddy Boyd, Joy Hamilton, Bill Price, Mark Rinker and Jane Updyke.

CIRCLES of the Women's Fellowship will meet this week and next, as announced in "The Torch".

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. Stella Huffine at Cone Hospital, Greensboro.

EASTER SUNDAY **April 2, 1972**

Alive forevermore!
For Christians in the first century faced with persecution,
What a word of encouragement and hope
To know that not the persecuting State but their Lord
Is the alpha and omega, the first and the last!

Easter is no optional extra to the Christian faith.
It is the proclamation that he who lived is he who lives,
Not as a revived corpse in the past but as God's new creation forever.
The resurrection is no occurrence for us to methodically prove;
It is God's power to bring new life by which we faithfully move.

An archaic myth, an obsolete word, some pious wishful thinking?
Yes, if we try to fit it into what we can devise and control.
But never if we regard it as God's power of love to make whole.
Heroes come and heroes go: men whom we adore.
But Christians see in Jesus: alive forevermore!

Alive not simply in the first century but in the twentieth.
Is how we treat that message the core of our problem today?
With Easter as only tangential to living the Christian way?
For Easter proclaims Christ as present to bring us all power and joy,
To give us a love for all seasons that nothing can ever destroy.

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LIFE

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April 9, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE The Living Christ Is With Us Van Hulse

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Pastor: The Lord is in his holy temple:
People: Let all the earth keep silence before him.
Pastor: Come, Let us worship the Lord our Maker:
People: For he is our God and we are his people.
Choir: Spirit of The Living God

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 35 "When Morning Gilds The Skies"

PSALTER READING 107 Psalm 145 P. 537

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 5: 38-48

ANTHEM God So Loved the World Stainer

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 385 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

THE OFFERING
Offertory Andante Guilmant

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON <u>But I Say</u> Dr. Sloan

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 202 "Jesus Shall Reign"

*BENEDICTION
* Choral Response — Threefold Amen
*POSTLUDE — Selected

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*Congregation will stand

A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we greet and welcome our visitors, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex. We welcome gladly to our pulpit today Dr. W. W. Sloan, Professor of Bible and Religious Education at Elon College.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Watts by Dr. and Mrs. Philip Mann

TODAY 6:30 Senior High Youth
7:30 Board of Deacons
7:00 "Listening Session" at Ebenezer Church

THIS WEEK The Interpretive Choir rehearses tomorrow at 3:30...The Christian Education Committee meets Tuesday evening at 7:30....A "Listening Session" on the U.C.C. will be held Tuesday evening at 7:00 at St. Mark's Church...Junior Choir is Wednesday at 3:30, Adult Choir at 7:30..The Women's Bible Hour meets Wednesday at Noon with Mrs. John Truitt...Articles for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning.

THE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to Mrs. Henry Motley and Family upon the death of Mr. Motley on April 6.

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. Stella Huffine and Mrs. George Troxler at Cone, Greensboro; Mrs. Simon Stone at Lee County, Sanford.

NEW MEMBERS will be received into our church fellowship next Sunday.

LIFE

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **April 9, 1972**

1 John 5:1-12

Why is Jesus so central to the Christian faith, whether in the first century or the twentieth? Why does the author of First John connect Jesus inseparably to what he calls "life"? Because he saw that true life is not expressed as an idea or principle or spirit, but as a flesh-and-blood person. He saw such true life, God's life, in Jesus and challenged those who wanted to rob him of his full humanity, even of his death. The cross is the sign of Jesus' entrance even into death; but here God's life and love meet death and are forever victorious.

NIGHTWALK IN SPOKANE

A reassuring voice, a friendly visitor in the dark of the night, or perhaps a problem solver—this is Operation Nightwalk, an after-dark ministry that has been active this past year in Spokane, Washington. Operation Nightwalk is the cooperative effort of forty-six ministers who work in shifts from 10 p. m. to 6 a. m. each day. They're there to reach the "night people," the people who work, seek recreation, or are just oriented to the night, people often out of touch with the rest of society.

In their first three months of operation, over four-hundred-and-fifty contacts were recorded. A meeting lasting an hour or more constitutes a "contact." These contacts might be made anywhere—on the street, in a tavern or nightclub where young people congregate, at the jail. The Nightwalk ministers have also responded to more than fifty crisis calls. The coordinator of Operation Nightwalk, a United Church of Christ pastor, notes that this project also brought the cooperating ministers a new outlook toward the problems of our society. Many persons with problems cannot be reached through the regular social service channels that operate during the day. Operation Nightwalk is only one of many similar ministries around the country which take seriously the Christian imperative to go to where the people are and be there when such ministries are needed.

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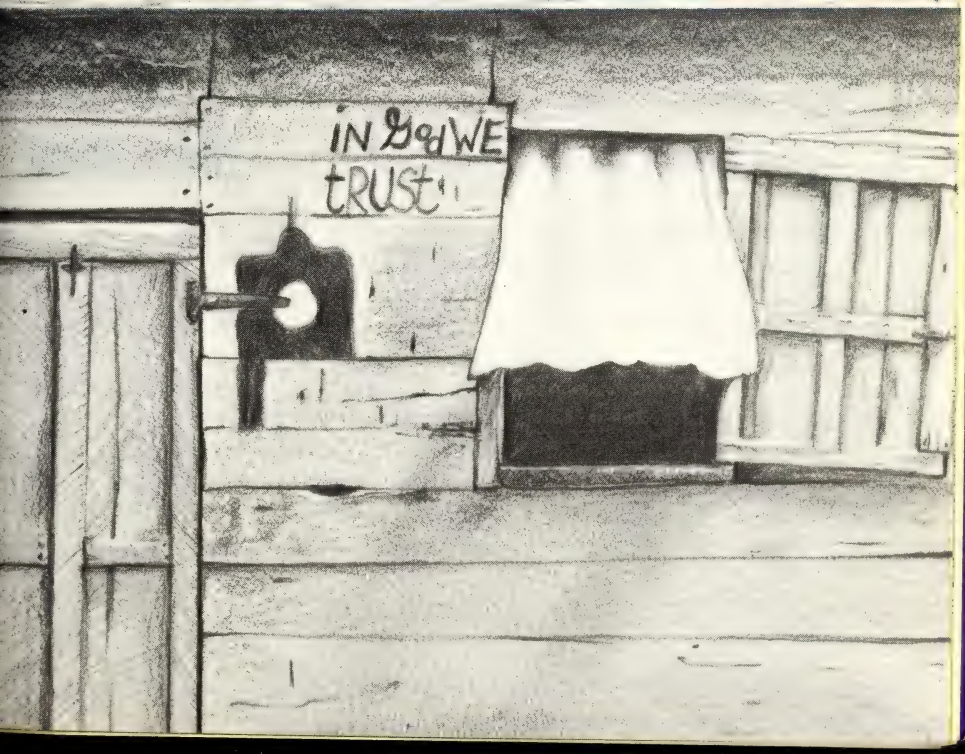
BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE



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April 16, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Toccata and Fugue in A Minor J. Kreiger

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Spirit of the Living God
*HYMN 1 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

*UNISON PRAYER
Lord God, keep before us the challenge and excitement of the truth found in Christ, that all our days may be spent in preparing the way of the Lord for the coming of his kingdom and for that life which is both realized and eternal. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Zephaniah 3:17-20
* Gloria Patri
THE GOSPEL LESSON John 20:19-31

THE PASTORAL PRAYER Choral Response

THE OFFERING
Solo I Love to Dwell in Spirit Michael
Mary Sexton, Soprano
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
SERMON Believing Without Seeing

THE SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION
Invitation
The Vows
* The Statement of Faith
The Sacrament of Baptism

Laying on of Hands
Reception of other New Members
Congregation: Beloved, we greet you with joy. We pledge to you our friendship in the Lord, and will give you our support in prayer and service that you may continue to grow in the knowledge and love of God and be witnesses of Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

*HYMN 371 "He Who Would Valiant Be"

BENEDICTION Threefold Amen

POSTLUDE Fantasia J. Kreiger

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* Congregation will stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. E.S. Lankford in memory of their daughter Marsha.

NEW MEMBERS are received today by Confirmation: Susan Barney, Joe McLelland, Steve Perry, and Jane Updyke; by transfer: Mr. Connie Howard, Mr. and Mrs. McSherry Lackey, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Marc Riggsbee.

TODAY 12:00 "Coffee Hour"
4:00 Fellowship Rally at Durham
6:30 Senior High Youth
7:15 Worship Committee

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. Stella Huffine at Cone.

THE JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH will attend the showing of the "Ten Commandments" next Sunday afternoon at 3:45 at the Terrace. Parents who can provide transportation or young people who would like to go are asked to call Mrs. Post.

GOD OPPOSES THE PROUD BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **April 16, 1972**

Consultation on Church Union Sunday **1 Peter 5:1-5**

What is humility? Often we seem to understand it as being a kind of doormat to others. But that is not humility. The humble person recognizes upon whom he is dependent; the proud person depends on himself. In the cover picture it is not the nature of the house that shows humility but the words "In God we trust." These words can be rightfully said by persons who are open to life more as a gift to be humbly received than as a goal to be pridefully achieved. The humble person realizes that he always is on God's "welfare roll." That is his "declaration of dependence."

PRAYER FOR THE CONSULTATION ON CHURCH UNION

"Eternal God, who has founded thy church upon earth to bring the world unto thee, we praise thy name for thine infinite love of men in Jesus Christ. We thank thee for the church which he has established, for thy faithfulness to it from generation to generation, for thy patience with us in our errors and division and thy readiness to forgive us when we repent, and for the call thou hast given to us to seek the unity that belongs to brethren in Christ Jesus.

"Father, we confess unto thee again the sins of our division. Our spirit has often been narrow. Our words have sometimes been bitter. Our hearts have been prejudiced. We have sought other authorities than thy spirit and have chosen not to be one even as thou art one with thy Son. By our confession so let the life which Christ has revealed and given to us grow stronger in every member of thy church until thou art received as the life of all men and the redeemer of the whole world.

"We pray again for the Consultation on Church Union, especially as thy servants now study a plan of union for a united church. So fill us with thy Holy Spirit and guide us in these labors that nothing shall hinder us and others from knowing thy will for unity with all men who profess Jesus as Lord and Savior. Yea, O God, unite our hearts in faith and hope and grant that being rooted and grounded in love, we may be able to comprehend what is the breadth and length and depth and height, and to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge, that we may be filled with all the fullness of God, to whom, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and praise, world without end. Amen."

This prayer was prepared for use by members of the denominations which are a part of the Consultation on Church Union.

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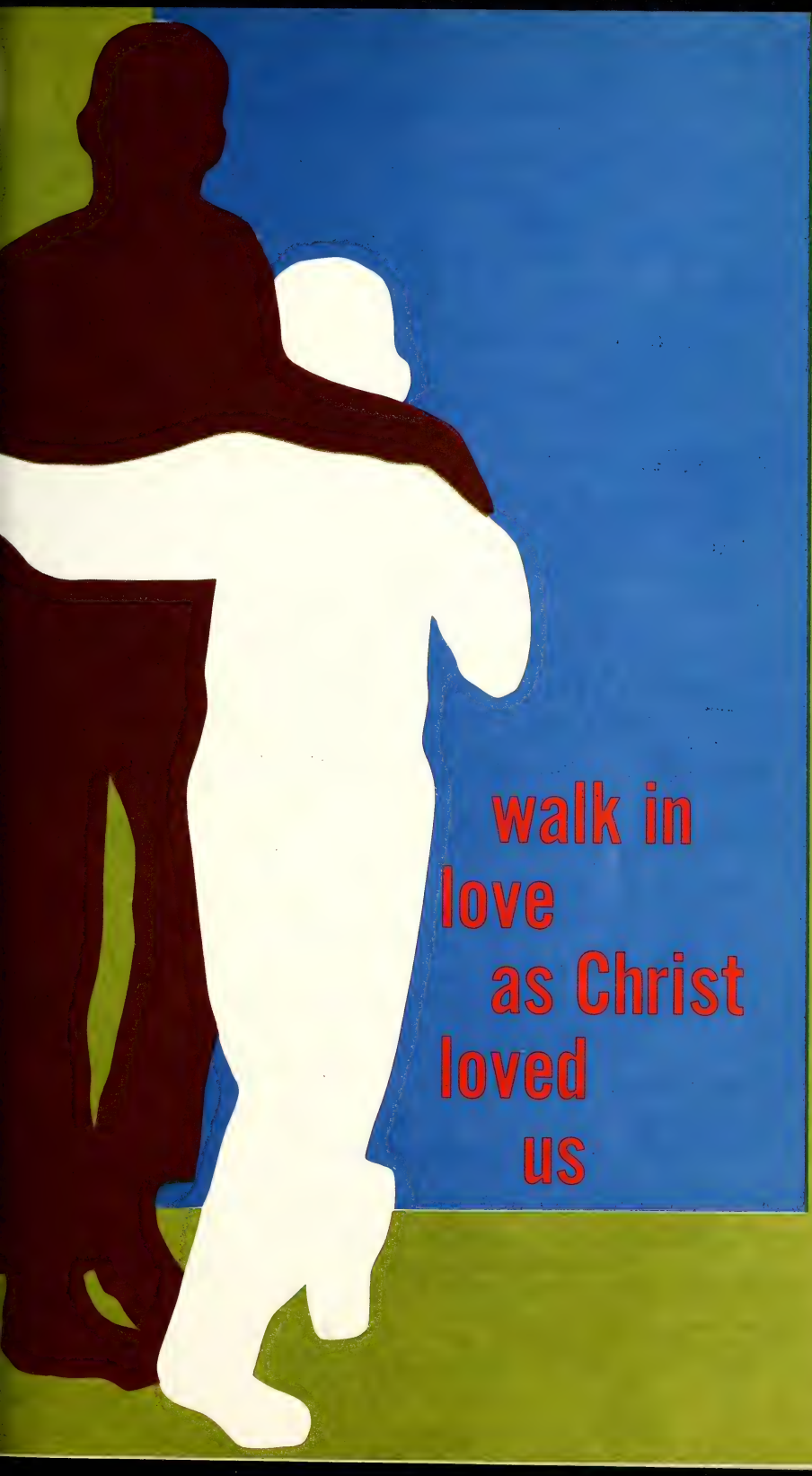
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April 23, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Prelude and Fugue in D Major
Murchhauser

CALL TO WORSHIP Praise Ye The Lord
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Gather us, our God, as a fellowship of thy faithful people. Remind us that we are thy Church, chosen to be servants of all the world. Pardon our failures and give us the will and the power to minister in The Name of the Lord Jesus. Amen.

*HYMN 8 "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 16: 1-8

* The Gloria Patri

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Twofold Amen

ANTHEMS Loving Shepherd of the Sheep L. Lenel
Eventide W. Samsel
(Junior Choir, directed by Miss Sexton)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 242 "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Adult Choir

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON <u>Don't Be Afraid</u>

New Testament Reading Matthew 28: 1-10

*HYMN 365 "Faith of Our Fathers"

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esident:
Dr. Martin L. Shotzberger

an of the College:
Dr. Charles Turney

npus Pastor:
Rev. Porter W. Seiwell

nding Date: 1851

rrent Enrollment: 1125

cation: Salisbury, North Carolina

npus Size: 200 acres, 33 buildings, with new physical education center and student center recently opened and in use.

pe of College: Liberal arts, senior, coeducation, Christian.

apel Schedule:
Vespers services are held the first Sunday evening of each month; there are 14 chapel and convocation programs held during the year.

Costs: For 1971-72, total tuition, fees, room and board is $2,325 for men and $2,295 for women; tuition for day students is $1,464.

Majors: Accounting, Biology, Chemistry, Drama, Economics, Elementary Education (K-3 and intermediate certification), English, French, Geology, General Business, German, Health and Physical Education, History, Mathematics, Music, Philosophy, Physics, Political Science, Psychology, Religion, Religion and Philosophy, Sociology, Spanish, and Speech. Cooperative degrees offered in Forestry, Engineering and Medical Technology.

Library: contains over 90,000 volumes.

Admission Requirements: Marks for six or more semesters in secondary school, class rank, course selection, standard test results including the Scholastic Aptitude Test, health, personality profile, and the recommendations of school officials. Application should be made as early in the student's senior year as possible.

ELON COLLEGE

ELON COLLEGE, NORTH CAROLINA

AFFILIATED WITH THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

President:
Dr. J. Earl Danieley

Dean of the College:
C. Fletcher Moore

Campus Minister:
Rev. Alfred W. Hurst

Founding Date: 1889

Current Enrollment: 1862

Location: Elon College, North Carolina

Campus Size: 95 acres, 25 buildings. A new physical education facility, which contains a swimming pool, and a new classroom-office building were recently completed.

Type of College: Christian, coeducational, four year, liberal arts.

Chapel Schedule: Chapel is held ea Tuesday at 9:30 a.m., and vespers ser ices are held on special occasions su as Christmas and Easter.

Cost: For 1971-72, total tuition, fe room and board is $1,987 for dormito students; tuition for commuters $1,200, tuition for evening classes $40.00 each semester hour.

Majors: Accounting, Biology, Busine Administration, Business Educatic Chemistry, Economics, Elementary E ucation, English, French, History, Mat ematics, Music, Music Education, Pl losophy, Physical Education and Healt Physics, Political Science, Religic Religious Education; Social Scien Spanish and Radiologic Technology.

Library: Contains over 80,000 volum

Admission Resuirements: Results on Sch lastic Aptitude Test, rank in graduati high school class, school officials' r ommendation and personality ratin Application should be made by the fi of March for admission in the fall.

*BENEDICTION

* Choral Response Lord, Let us Now Depart in Peace

*POSTLUDE Fantasia Pachelbel

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*Congregation will stand

A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended each of you. Especially we greet and welcome our visitors, asking you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex. Representatives of Phi Mu Sorority and Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity worship with us today and also youth from the First UCC of West Hartford, Connecticut who are attending a work camp at the Elon Home. Return often!

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mrs. Avizonis in memory of her husband, Dr. Konstantinas Avizonis, former chairman of the History Department of Elon College.

TODAY: 3:30 Junior High Youth meet here to go to see "The Ten Commandments".
6:30 Senior High Youth

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. J. B. Long and Mr. Wilkes Lowe, Jr. at Memorial; Mrs. Phil Marino at Duke.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Southern Conference is to be held at Virginia Beach on Tuesday and Wednesday. Mrs. John Truitt is our official Delegate.

FAMILY NIGHT is next Sunday at 7:30. If you have a hobby to share, please contact Mrs. Hurst or Mrs. Danieley.

DEVOTIONAL GUIDES for May - June are available on the Literature Table.

walk in love as Christ loved us

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **April 23, 1972**

Ephesians 5:1-14

Is there any word used more than "love"—among courting couples, in the family, in popular songs, in movies, in religious talk? But what is love? An emotion, a sentiment, a warm feeling? Or is it that active reaching out for another that affirms him, that desires for him the wholeness of life and the joy of existence, that wants to create the personal and political, economic and social contexts in which people can be brothers together? Such reaching out is the very meaning to us of Christ's love, the prime foundation for all our love.

THREE-PART MINISTRY AT TSURUKAWA

In Japan, missionaries of the United Church Board for World Ministries work alongside colleagues of the Kyodan, the United Church of Christ of Japan. We support a wide variety of ministries there—educational, urban, and rural.

In Tsurukawa, for instance, the United Church Board for World Ministries supports the three-part program of the Asia Training Center. The Center provides a five-year seminary course for training twenty-four Japanese men and women for responsible posts in the church and community, a two-year course for sixty girls who are preparing themselves to be Christian kindergarten teachers, and the Southeast Asia Christian Rural Leaders' Training Course, an eight-month course with lectures, discussions, and practical agricultural experiences. Planning for the "grass roots" community life has a special meaning here, for eight of the eleven participants are pastors of rural churches concerned to help their people find a wholesome and abundant life.

When you support *Our Christian World Mission* you are helping fellow-Christians in Japan and in more than thirty countries around the world in similar projects of leadership development.

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Miss Mary Sexton, Guest Organist

April 30, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Toccata and Fugue in D Minor P. E. Eberlin

CALL TO WORSHIP Praise Ye The Lord
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Receive us, O God, as we draw near in simple faith. To believe in thee is to find meaning in life. To Experience thy forgiveness is to find healing and peace. To trust and love thee is to face life and death unafraid. Bind us together in faithful worship and meaningful service. Amen.

*HYMN 7 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 21: 15-25

The Statement of Faith

* The Gloria Patri

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response

ANTHEM Bless the Lord, O my Soul E. Ehret

CHILDREN'S SERMON

+ Hymn 84 "The Lord's My Shepherd"

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Lied G. Young

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Follow Me

*HYMN 375 "Lead On, O King Eternal"

*BENEDICTION

* Choral Response Lord, Let us Now Depart in Peace

*POSTLUDE Fugue in C Major D. Buxtehude

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*Congregation will stand

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FAMILY NIGHT planned by the Adult Bible Class is this evening at 7:30 in the Parish House. This will be a "Share Your Hobby" evening. Fun for everyone is assured.

THIS WEEK: The Interpretive Choir rehearses tomorrow at 5:30....Circles of the Women's Fellowship meet this week as announced in The Torch, except that Circle #4 will meet with Mrs. Fields....Junior Choir rehearsal is Wednesday at 3:30, Senior Choir at 7:30....The Music Committee meets Wednesday evening at 7:00....Articles for The Torch are due tomorrow morning.

MAY FELLOWSHIP DAY, sponsored by Church Women United will be held at Davis Street Methodist Church on Friday at noon.

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. Phil Marino at Duke

CONGRATULATIONS TO Rebecca Sue Love and Coy Wesley Snyder whose Service of Marriage is to be celebrated this afternoon at four o'clock at the First Baptist Church of Graham.

LIBERTY

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **April 30, 1972**

James 1:19-27

Law and liberty: are these not opposed to each other? Does not law curtail liberty? It does if we understand liberty as license to do anything. But liberty is not license. It is the freedom to serve the law of love. Liberty plus love adds up to true living. That is why James can speak of liberty as the perfect law. It is the liberty of active love that does not restrict, but opens the way to being "doers of the word" who meet human need and solve human problems. By the way, what kind of problem solving is your liberty doing?

TEACHING TEACHERS

When May Beth was first asked to teach the fourth-grade church school class, she said that she'd try it for a few weeks. Several years later, she was still "trying" to teach the fourth graders—trying, but not very happy with her results. Then her United Church of Christ conference sponsored an Instroteach Workshop. "Instroteach," which stands for Instrument for the Observation of Teaching Activities in the Church, is an adaptation of a program which has been widely used in the training of public school teachers. National staff members of the United Presbyterian Church and the United Church of Christ participated in developing and field-testing this tool for Christian education use.

May Beth found that Instroteach was primarily a workshop experience. The program included an examination of, and criteria for, effective teaching. It provided opportunity for training in the skills of evaluating teaching experiences. And, through interviews, observation, discussion and role playing, Instroteach helped untrained teachers like May Beth learn to become "directors of learning, guides and counselors, mediators and interpreters of the Christian faith, links with the community, and participants in the church's teaching ministry." Today, May Beth is really teaching, not just "trying" to teach because of what she learned.

Instroteach is being made available through a number of U. C. C. conferences. Further information may be obtained from the Division of Christian Education, United Church Board for Homeland Ministries.

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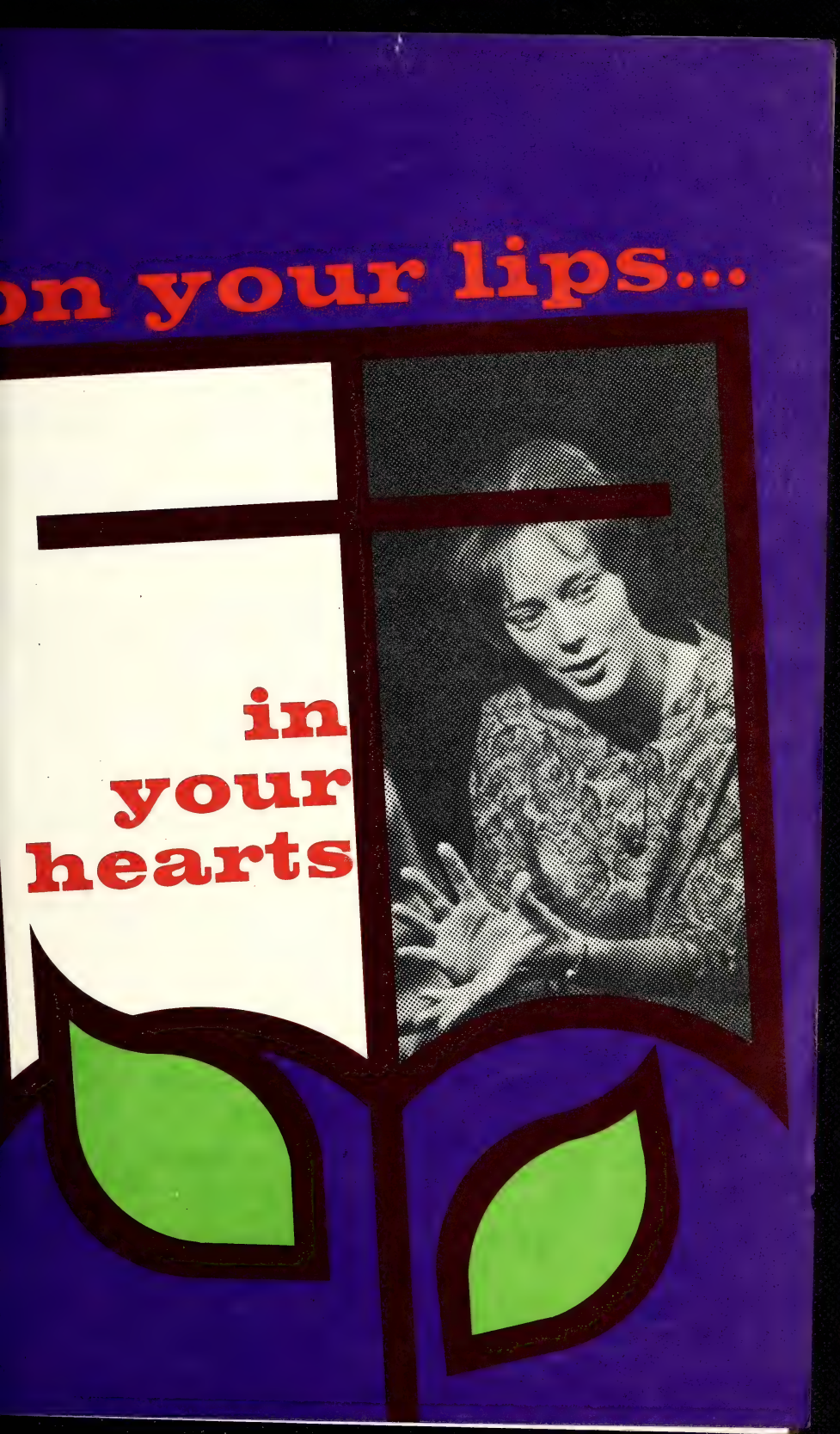

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Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

May 7, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Prelude and Fugue in C Major J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP Praise Ye The Lord
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Eternal God, we would come into thy presence with reverence, thankfulness, and joy. Thou art with us. We pray, renew our minds and spirits as we wait upon thee in prayer, in praise, and in meditation on thy Word. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

*HYMN 372 "How Firm a Foundation"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 28: 10-22

* The Gloria Patri

* The Statement of Faith

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 28: 7-20

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response

ANTHEM Open Our Eyes W. MacFarlane

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 217 "Lord of All Hopefulness" (St. 1-3)

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Berceuse M. Dupre

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON I Am With You Always

*HYMN 363 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

*BENEDICTION

* Choral Response Lord, Let us Now Depart in Peace

*POSTLUDE Fantasia in D Major Scheidt

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Hook.

TODAY:

4:00 Prospective acolytes
6:30 Senior High Youth
7:30 Board of Deacons

THIS WEEK: The Interpretive Movement Choir rehearses tomorrow afternoon at 3:30...The Women's Bible Hour meets Wednesday at noon with Mrs. Sloan... The final rehearsal for the Junior Choir is Wednesday at 3:30...Play practice for Senior High Youth is Wednesday at 6:30...Adult Choir is Wednesday at 7:30.

THE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to the Family upon the death of Mr. M.D. Joye on May 5. The Memorial Service was conducted here yesterday.

NEXT SUNDAY all church school classes will meet in the church sanctuary at 9:45 for opening devotions.

on your lips...

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER **May 7, 1972**

Rural Life Sunday **Romans 10:1-13**

Lips and heart: external expression and internal conviction. For the Apostle Paul these are the double dimensions of Christian faith. Without internal conviction words ring hollow; and without external expression no communication occurs. Faith is the response to the nearness of God's communication in Christ that has grasped us and that with joy we can communicate to others. It is not a matter of great flights into the religious stratosphere to come to God, but of convincing lips and heart in the earth's atmosphere because he already has come to us.

THEY'RE STILL WAITING IN APPALACHIA

National attention has been given to the mountainous section of the United States stretching across thirteen states from lower New York to northern Alabama, Georgia, and Mississippi, called "Appalachia." Described as "America's Biggest Ghetto," the eighteen-million residents of Appalachia continue to experience severe economic and social conditions: low income (per capita income is barely half the national average in many areas), high unemployment, lack of urbanization, deficiencies in education.

In 1965 Congress established the Appalachian Regional Commission—a cooperative regional effort between federal, state, and local governments—designed to solve the economic and social problems. Yet even today Appalachia still has the dubious distinction of being the "largest pocket of poverty," and the most underdeveloped region in the United States.

The church has made an historic contribution to these mountain people in past decades by providing schools, hospitals, pastoral support. Recently, seventeen denominations established the Commission on Religion in Appalachia (CORA) to assist in evaluating the impact of these historic mission endeavors and to seek ways of spending mission dollars and mission manpower more creatively in Appalachia.

Our participation in CORA, one of the most widely ecumenical programs in America, which includes Southern Baptists and Roman Catholics, seeks to apply the strength of Christian concern, dollars, and skills to the problems of housing, economic development, health, education, and church renewal in Appalachia.

—*Max Glenn*
Director, Commission on Religion
in Appalachia

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grace to help in time of need

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Mrs. McSherry Lackey, Guest Organist

May 14, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Aria in F Major Handel

CALL TO WORSHIP Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Eternal God, we would come into thy presence with reverence, thankfulness, and joy. Thou art with us. We pray, renew our minds and spirit as we wait upon thee in prayer, in praise, and in meditation on thy Word. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

*HYMN 304 "Rejoice, O People"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 29

* The Gloria Patri

* The Statement of Faith

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 1: 1-11

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response

ANTHEM The Lord's Prayer J. Sibelius

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 346 "Come, Let Us Join With Faithful Souls"

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Hymn of Praise Schubert

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Filled With Power

HYMN 232 "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Lord, Let us Now Depart in Peace

POSTLUDE Allegro Boellmann

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TODAY:

6:30 Junior High Youth
6:30 Senior High Play Practice
7:15 Worship Committee

THIS WEEK: Our Pastor will attend the Annual Ministers' Conference at Franklinton Center tomorrow through Wednesday...The Interpretive Choir rehearses tomorrow at 3:30...The Music Committee meets Wednesday at 7:00...Adult Choir rehearsal is Wednesday at 7:30...Articles for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning.

NEXT SUNDAY we will combine Church School and Church Worship in order that those who so desire can attend the Baccalaureate Service in Memorial Gymnasium. Our Service will begin at 9:30 and will conclude by 10:15. Our graduating high school seniors will be recognized at this Service.

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. George Shumar at County; Mr. Wilkes Lowe at Memorial, Chapel Hill.

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

May 14, 1972

Festival of the Christian Home **Hebrews 4:14-16**

Who needs help today? For Christians toward the end of the first century "grace to help in time of need" was no empty religious plea. These were words related to their need to remain true to their faith in face of the temptation to worship the emperor and avoid persecution. The one to whom the Christians turned was not unacquainted with suffering. It was Jesus, who himself remained true to his convictions even in the face of death. If we and our families have no need to go for help on our knees, we can be quite sure that we stand for very little on our feet.

CHRISTIAN WITNESS IN A MUSLIM WORLD

Mashallah! "God does wonders!" says a teacher in one of the schools supported by our United Church Board for World Ministries in Turkey. When devout Christians and devout Muslims worship one God and seek to please him, their dialogue has a firm base and they can strengthen each other. While Muslims and Christians have always worshiped one God, their ways of pleasing God, their relationship with Him, and their very concepts of Him have been different. Since overt Christian witness and traditional evangelism are traditionally suspect in Muslim lands, the dialogue concentrates on discussion of religious philosophy with adults. It takes maturity and trust between human beings if they are to open their hearts and minds to each other in a mutual exchange. Yet such mutual sharing does take place, and the result is that some Christian understandings "rub off" on Muslims, and at the same time some Muslim understandings "rub off" on Christians. The results never show in conversion statistics, but they have resulted in a new style of life which brings benefit to the entire society. Truly, God does wonders!

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May 21, 1972 9:30 A.M.

PRELUDE "O Happy Day" Joan Baez

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Who are we this day?

Community: We are the people of God and of his creation, chosen not for special privileges but for special responsibilities in His world.

Leader: Why do we gather together at this time and this place?

Community: We gather to symbolize before God and each other what it means to have life in Christ in the world.

Leader: Then let this assembly of His people be the assembly of His people as we sing our praise to the living God.

*SONG OF THANKSGIVING "Sing to the Lord"
(tune: "This Land is Your Land")

Sing to the Lord a joyful song,
Serve Him with gladness in all your houses.
Come bow before Him with glad thanksgiving.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Know that the Lord is our God.
It is he who made us; and we are His;
We are His people and walk His ways.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Come to His Church with glad thanksgiving.
Kneel at His altar with rising praise.
Give thanks to Him and bless His name.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

For He is good and He has called us;
His love for us will never die;
He will go with us today and always.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

OLD TESTAMENT WORD — Ecclesiastes 3: 1-9

The Interpretive Movement Choir

NEW TESTAMENT WORD — Paraphrase of John I

*THE LORD'S PRAYER (as sung in the churches of the West Indies)

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name
Thy kingdom come thy will be done, Hallowed be thy name

As in heaven so on the earth, Hallowed be thy name
Give us this day our daily bread, Hallowed be thy name.

And forgive us father all our debts, Hallowed be thy name
As we forgive all our debtors, Hallowed be thy name.

And lead us not into temptation, Hallowed be thy name
But deliver us from all evil, Hallowed be thy name.

For thine is the kingdom, pow'r and glory, Hallowed be thy name
Forever and ever, forever and ever, Hallowed be thy name.

Amen, amen, Amen, amen, Hallowed be thy name.
Amen, amen, Amen, amen, Hallowed by thy name.

RECOGNITION OF HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS — Mrs. Post

Lynn Barney	Ricki Miles
Thelma Byrd	Ruth Perry
Cathy Holland	Roger Simons
Joseph Hutchins	Wade Wood
Pat McCauley	

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION — "Day by Day"
(from Godspell - a musical based upon The Gospel according to St. Matthew)

Day by Day, day by day
O, dear Lord, three things I pray:
To see Thee more clearly,
Love Thee more dearly,
Follow Thee more nearly,
Day by day

READING FROM ULYSSES — Mr. Hamilton

OFFERING OF SELF AND GIFTS
Offertory "Blowin' in The Wind" — B. Dylan
* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN OF REPENTANCE — "I've Got Troubles of My Own"
(tune: "500 Miles")

I've got troubles of my own
Let the others help him, Lord,
That's the song that I've been
Known to sing before.

He's got worries, he's got needs
And I'd like to help him, Lord,
But his color and his creed
Are not my kind.

Cause I don't see and I don't hear
And I don't think and I don't feel
And I guess I just don't care
Forgive me, Lord.

We are gathered here for prayer
Cure us of our blindness, Lord,
Give us sight that we may
See our fellowman.

Cause they don't see and they don't hear
And they don't think and they don't feel
And I guess they just don't care
Forgive them, Lord.

Help us see and help us hear
And help us think and help us feel
Give us all the heart to care
We pray Thee, Lord.

*BENEDICTION IN UNISON

May the road rise to
meet you. May the wind
be always at your back
May the sun shine warm
upon your face, the rain
fall soft upon your fields
And until we meet again,
may God hold you in the
palm of his hand. Amen

*POSTLUDE "Carry It on" Joan Baez

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*Community Stands to Praise the Lord

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May 28, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Song of May Jongen

CALL TO WORSHIP Praise Ye The Lord
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

O Lord of our life, we would know thee better that we might love thee more. Make us hungry for thy spirit and thy power. Let thy grace come upon us, that thy will may be known and lived through us. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

*HYMN 15 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

GOSPEL READING John 3: 1-15

* The Gloria Patri
* The Statement of Faith

EPISTLE READING II Corinthians 13

SERVICE OF INFANT DEDICATION

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response

ANTHEM To Thee Be Praise Forever J. S. Bach

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 227 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Meditation Guilmant

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Grace - Love - Fellowship

*HYMN 344 "Lead Us, Heavenly Father"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response Lord, Let us Now Depart in Peace

*POSTLUDE Fantasia in G Major Pachelbel

*Congregation will stand

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THE SERVICE of Infant Dedication is held today for Meghan Elizabeth Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Johnson and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Wells and Mr. and Mrs. Exum Horton.

TODAY:

4:00	All prospective acolytes
7:00	Board of Trustees
7:30	Executive Board, Women's Fellowship

AN ORIENTATION CLASS for new members will meet with the Pastor next Sunday morning at 9:45. The invitation is open for all who will consider church membership.

ARTICLES for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning.

THE MAGNOLIA MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION will hold its annual memorial service next Sunday afternoon at four o'clock.

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TRINITY SUNDAY **May 28, 1972**

Of all the doctrines of the Christian faith, the doctrine of the Trinity is surely one of the least understood, yet one of the most important. Far from representing the desire of the church to complicate the simple faith of Jesus, the doctrine of the Trinity is made necessary by the way Jesus speaks of himself, of the Father, and of the Spirit. Unwilling to cut their roots from the central Old Testament affirmation that there is only one true God, but equally unwilling to do anything less with Jesus' words and acts than take them with the utmost seriousness, the early church fathers felt compelled to find some way of holding fast to both truths. For them—and for us—the doctrine of the Trinity is intended to protect the believer from error when he tries to think about how Jesus is related to the Father, and to the Holy Spirit, as well as to the common humanity he shared with us all. It is the attempt to describe a mystery, a mystery which plumbs the very depths of God's relationship to men. Such a mystery is a challenge to the best intellectual effort of which we are capable as we seek to think through the meaning of our faith. Yet that whole mystery, and all of its profundities, are present each time we, in simple faith, confess Jesus to be our savior and Lord.

—*Dr. Paul J. Achtemeier*
Professor of New Testament
Lancaster Theological Seminary

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MAGNOLIA MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

MEMORIAL SERVICE

JUNE 4, 1972

4:00 P.M.

Magnolia Cemetery

Elon College, North Carolina

For all the saints
  who from their labors rest,
Who thee by faith
  before the world confessed;
Thy name, O Jesus,
  be forever blest,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

PROGRAM

Invocation .....Dr. J. G. Truitt

Hymn .....O Worship the King

Memoirs.....Dr. J. G. Truitt

Hymn.....Great God, We Sing that Mighty hand

Memorial Address.....Rev. W. T. Cockman

Annual Business Meeting

Benediction.....Dr. J. G. Truitt

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MAGNOLIA MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS FOR 1972-1973

President	E. S. Lankford
Vice President	Miss Nannie D. Reitzel
Secretary	John W. Barney, Jr.
Treasurer	Miss Nina Matlock

O Worship The King

O worship the King, all-glorious above,
O gratefully sing His power and His love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavillioned in splendor and girded with praise.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend! Amen

Great God, We Sing That Mighty Hand

Great God, we sing that mighty hand
By which supported still we stand;
The opening year Thy mercy shows;
That mercy crowns it till it close.

With grateful hearts the past we own;
The future, all to us unknown,
We to Thy guardian care commit,
And peaceful leave before Thy feet. Amen

Deceased to be Memorialized

Mrs. June Ausley Walker	June 21, 1971
Rev. Howard P. Bozarth	July 1, 1971
Mrs. Joanna Carpenter Newman	September 14, 1971
Mrs. Rebecca Phillips Thompson	October 16, 1971
Mrs. Ella Boone Saunders	November 19, 1971
Mr. H. D. Lambeth, Sr.	January 19, 1972
Mr. W. S. Colwell	February 28, 1972

MAGNOLIA MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION
Treasurer's Report
May 1, 1971 - May 1, 1972

Balance May, 1971		
Checking Account	$ 845.84	
Savings Certificates	2,700.00	$3,545.84
Receipts		
Dues	344.00	
Dividends	139.17	483.17
Disbursements		
Postal Supplies - Printing	20.50	
Cemetery Work	140.75	161.25
Balance May 1, 1972		
Checking Account	667.76	
Savings Certificates	$3,200.00	$3,867.76

Note: The 1971 Magnolia Tree Fund balance was $93.50. A new balance of $8.50 was left after $85.00 was paid out for cemetery work. This fund was terminated by transferring the balance to the general fund.

On January 28, 1972 $500.00 was transferred from checking account to savings certificate.

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June 4, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Priere Jongen

CALL TO WORSHIP Come to the Father
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

O Lord of our life, we would know thee better that we might love thee more. Make us hungry for thy spirit and thy power. Let thy grace come upon us, that thy will may be known and lived through us. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

*HYMN 64 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

GOSPEL READINGS Mark 6: 1-6; Luke 4: 14-30

* The Gloria Patri
* The Statement of Faith

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response

ANTHEM How Firm a Foundation

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 322 "Jesus Calls Us"

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Andante Mozart

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON God Helps Us Get Into Trouble

*HYMN 367 "Fight the Good Fight"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Lord, Let us Now Depart in Peace

POSTLUDE Fugue in F Major Bach

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TODAY: 4:00 Magnolia Memorial Service
7:30 Board of Deacons

AN ORIENTATION CLASS for new members meets with the Pastor at 9:45 A.M. each Sunday this month. Those who wish to become members on June 25 are asked to attend these orientation sessions.

THIS WEEK: The Kindergarten Commencement Program is tomorrow evening at 7:30...The Music Committee meets Wednesday evening at 7:00...Senior High Youth will hold play practice at 5:30 this afternoon, and will leave Friday to attend the "1972 Youth Happening" at Catawba College.

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP in contemporary style will be held here June 18 at 9:00 A.M. Church school will follow at 9:45. Our regular service will begin at 11:00 A.M.

CAMPS: The summer program at our Conference Camps begins in a couple of weeks. Mrs. Post also has information on the Moonelon Weekday Camp for next week.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **June 4, 1972**

Acts 2:43-47

What does eating mean to you? Simply an ordinary experience? Yes, but it is just this ordinary experience that is a central biblical symbol. Eating is to celebrate God's nourishment of life and his making us brothers and sisters at a table. Jesus' eating with people expressed God's rule as caring for all and breaking the barriers that separate persons. Early Christians ate together. The Lord's Supper itself was and is that eating and sharing of new life which sets the tone for life in the midst of the ordinary.

THE CHURCH'S STAKE IN ECOLOGY

Shouldn't the church be interested in ecology? It already is. During the past year, five conferences of the United Church of Christ have been challenged by the Environmental Task Force of our Board for Homeland Ministries to develop environmental education centers on their conference campsites. Scattered across the country from Oregon to Pennsylvania, these centers have already begun to function by providing exhibits, libraries of resource materials, and experimental programs which reach out into nearby communities with environmental concerns.

One experimental workshop held this spring in Pennsylvania brought together a group of public school teachers for a weekend. In small groups they explored environmental factors in such areas as life in stream and pond, woods vegetation and animal life, bird life, and soil. The goal was to arouse awareness of environmental problems, to give opportunity for first-hand observation, to discover the unique teaching opportunities offered by the out-of-doors and to develop techniques for interpreting ecology and its problems to elementary children. This particular campsite environmental center will be made available for class fieldtrips throughout the year.

The Division of Christian Education of our United Church Board for Homeland Ministries feels that the church has a legitimate concern for the way man has used and is using God's creation. The development of environmental education centers using campsite facilities, the employment of camp naturalists, and the scheduling of special ecology camps for senior-high and college-age youth are a natural place to begin.

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WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH THESE MEN?

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June 11, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Concerto in A Minor J. S. Bach
(Second Movement)

CALL TO WORSHIP Lo, God is Here
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

As we worship, O God, help us to bring to thee our daily work, our hopes, our dreams, and every experience of our lives. Whatever our hands find to do, let us do in faith and prayer that we may fulfill thy gracious will. In the Name of Jesus, Amen.

*HYMN 263 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Numbers 14: 11-24

* The Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 8: 27-37

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response

ANTHEM Incline Thine Ear to Me F. H. Himmel

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 12 "From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Offertory No. 2 Van Hulse

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Getting Out of Trouble

*HYMN 421 "We Thank Thee, Lord"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response Lord, Let us Now Depart in Peace

*POSTLUDE Maestoso Heiller

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*Congregation will stand

A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended each of you as you worship with us today. Especially we greet and welcome our visitors, inviting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex and to return often. You are also invited to attend the Orientation Class for new members next Sunday at 9:45.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Smith in memory of her mother, Mrs. W. Sherman Vestal.

A DOZEN OF OUR YOUTH, with Mr. and Mrs. Post, are attending the "Youth Happening" at Catawba College.

THIS WEEK: The Adult Choir will rehearse following the morning service...Day Camp for young people in grades 2 through 7 begins tomorrow morning at Moonelon...The General Meeting of the Women's Fellowship is tomorrow evening at 7:30...The Christian Education Committee meets Tuesday evening at 7:30...Articles for "The Torch are due tomorrow.

CONGRATULATIONS to Sherleen A. Smith and W. Eric Hinshaw whose Service of Marriage was celebrated here yesterday.

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP in contemporary style will be held here next Sunday at 9:00 A.M. Church school will follow at 9:45. Our regular Service will begin at 11:00 A.M.

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **June 11, 1972**

Acts 4:5-22

"Disturbers of the status quo." A description of Christians today? It seems often to have described early Christians. They disturbed not just to disturb, but because human life was at stake. Some disturbing was needed to bring healing and hope. It got them into trouble with those more interested in maintaining power than in helping people, into trouble even with religious leaders. What motivated them? The Book of Acts tells us "they have been with Jesus." Jesus had gotten into trouble, too, but not even the threat of death could deter him from his healing task.

FOCUS OF OUR COMMON CONCERN

A Presbyterian congregation is conducting a Marriage Enrichment Laboratory using plans developed by the Reformed Church in America. National staff of the United Church of Christ, the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), and the Episcopal Church are helping to lead a United Presbyterian "National Training Event" for leaders of young people. In one metropolitan area in the Midwest, Disciples, Presbyterian, and United Church of Christ church-school workers this past autumn held a joint Workshop on Human and Media Resources.

How did all this happen? It is all part of Joint Educational Development. For several years, Christian Education leaders of six denominations (Disciples, Episcopal, Southern Presbyterian, United Presbyterian, Reformed, and United Church of Christ) have met regularly to plan jointly in areas of their common concerns. Task force groups have considered education of children, youth, and adults, and have focused attention on such areas as family life and human sexuality, public education, professional and lay-leadership development, and the relationship between national planning bodies and regional Christian education staff. The three examples mentioned in the paragraph above are one evidence of the effectiveness of such joint educational development. There will be many more.

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June 18, 1972 9:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

UNISON CALL TO WORSHIP

We stand before the cross and wonder.
We stand before the cross and fear.
We kneel before the cross and weep.
We pray before the cross and rejoice.
To know the cross is to know Christ.
To feel the cross is to feel Christ.
To gaze at the cross is to gaze at Christ.
To carry the cross is to be a Christian,
and not until then.

*HYMN OF TOGETHERNESS "We are One in the Spirit"

1. We are one in the spirit, we are one in the Lord
We are one in the spirit, we are one in the Lord
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our
love, by our love, yes, they'll know we
are Christians by our love,

2. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

Chorus:

3. We will work with each other, we will work side by side.
We will work with each other, we will work side by side.
And we'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's
pride.

Chorus:

LITANY (Let the people repeat each line after the leader):

Say it loud!
Say it clear!
For the whole world to hear!
God is not dead!
God is bread. God is bread. God is bread.
God is bread for the poor and bread for the rich.

God is bread for the black, bread for the white.
God is bread.
God is bread of peace, broken for all mankind.
God is wine of hope, poured out for all nations.
The nations will come to God's banquet.
Soon, the nations will come.
All nations are already on their way.
For the war is over.
Hey, listen folks, the war is over!
Shalom. Shalom. Shalom. Amen.

APPALACHIAN FOLKSONG "Seek and Ye Shall Find"

DIALOG (from Boyd: Are You Running With Me, Jesus?) Jane Danieley
Joy Hamilton

OFFERING OF SELF AND POSSESSIONS
Offertory Hymn "He's Got the Whole World"

1. He's got the whole world
2. He's got the wind and the rain
3. He's got you and me
* 4. Of thee, O Lord, All things come
and of thine own have we given thee.

NEW TESTAMENT WORD John 3: 1-21 (TEV)
"When a Man Gets Pulled Out" C. F. Burke

A DAILY PRAYER

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION "Tramp on the Street"

Jesus He died on - Calvary Street,
Nails in His hands and - nails in His feet,
Mary she rocked Him - a little baby to sleep,
But they left Him to die like -
a tramp on the street.

Only a poor man was Lazarus that day,
When he lay down at the rich man's gate,
He begged for the crumbs of the rich man to eat,
He was only a tramp found - dead on the street.

He was some mother's darlin' -
he was some mother's son,
Once he was fair and - once he was young,
Some mother rocked him - a little baby to sleep,
But they left him to die like -
a tramp on the street.

Jesus He died on - Calvary Street,
Nails in His hands and - nails in His feet,
Mary she rocked Him - a little baby to sleep,
But they left Him to die like -
a tramp on the street.

*HYMN OF REBIRTH "Allelu"

Allelu! Allelu!
Everybody sing Allelu!
For the Lord has risen it is true:
Everybody sing Alleluia!

1. God said he would send his son, Allelu, Allelu!
   And salvation would be won, Alleluia!

2. Christ was born in Bethlehem, Allelu, Allelu!
   So that man would live again, Alleluia!

3. Thirty years he walked the land, Allelu, Allelu.
   To all in need he lent his hand, Alleluia.

4. On the hard-wood of the cross, Allelu, Allelu.
   He suffered and he died for us, Alleluia.

5. On the third day he did rise, Allelu, Allelu.
   Now he lives no more to die, Alleluia.

6. Now we too can live anew, Allelu, Allelu.
   Live in him need all we do, Alleluia!

*BENEDICTION IN UNISON (from Markings)

Give us
A pure heart
That we may see Thee,
A humble heart
That we may hear Thee,
A heart of love
That we may serve Thee,
A heart of faith
That we may live Thee.

Hallowed by THY name,
not mine,
THY kingdom come,
not mine,
THY will be done,
not mine,
Give us peace with Thee,
Peace with men,
Peace with ourselves,
And free us from all fear.
Amen.

*POSTLUDE

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*Community Stands to Praise the Lord

A MAN FULL OF FAITH

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June 18, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Two Antiphons G. Young

CALL TO WORSHIP Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Lord our God, may this hour of worship be blessed by thy presence that we may lay hold of fresh sources of spiritual and moral strength. Here may we see a new vision of the way life is to be live in Christ. Amen.

*HYMN 503 "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 116

* The Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 6: 1-7

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response

ANTHEM O Morn of Beauty J. Sibelius

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 457 "The Summer Days Are Come Again"

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring J. S. Bach

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Your Ministry, My Ministry, and Our Ministry

*HYMN 470 "God of the Prophets"

*BENEDICTION

* Choral Response Seven-fold Amen

* POSTLUDE Fugue in A Minor J. S. Bach

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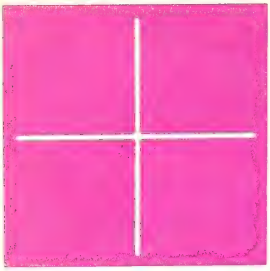
THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Caddell by the family.

THIS WEEK: The Adult Choir will rehearse following the morning service...The summer recreation for children of Elon in grades 1-8 begins tomorrow at 9:00 A.M. at the Elon Middle School...Registration for the Women's Summer Conference begins Tuesday morning at 10:00...Play rehearsal is Thursday evening at 7:00 in the Parish House.

CONGRATULATIONS to Sidney W. Bond and M. Suzanne Jordan whose Service of Marriage was celebrated here yesterday.

FAMILY NIGHT is next Sunday evening at 7:30 in the Parish House. Our young people will present the play "Forgive Us Our Chicken Coops."

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is set for July 31 - August 4. Directors are Mrs. Bill Blanchard and Mrs. Mack Lackey. This will be our first experience with an evening school. Another new feature is that the school is intended for adults as well as children. Plan not to attend.



FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **June 18, 1972**

Acts 6:1-7

What qualities do we seek in persons chosen to perform particular functions in today's church? Yes, we want persons with the competence and the skills needed to do the job. But anything else? When the early Christians had a particular need, they chose Stephen, "a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit." Later he was stoned to death for his faith. Faith is that sense of being grasped by a love from which nothing, not even death, can separate us. Such faith can free us from fear, and then God's power, His Spirit, can motivate our competence and skills.

FRIENDS OF THE HEART

In Japan, when the leaders of today are sleeping, the leaders of tomorrow are thinking and planning for their future. Twenty percent of all Japanese youth tune into radio broadcasts after midnight.

The after-midnight broadcasts have invited listeners to respond in a sort of dialogue. Individual stations report receiving as high as seven-thousand letters daily.

Japanese youth are a lonesome group and, as they try to find their way in a transitional society, they need to talk with someone, not just to listen to those in authority as they've had to do in the past. For the first time they are questioning the purposes and goals of their life and talking these things over with others.

The United Church of Christ of Japan has responded to youth's need for dialogue with a nightly broadcast known as "Friends of the Heart." This program is heard after midnight, on six different stations across Japan.

This program is sponsored by the Japanese churches with the cooperation of the United Church of Christ and other denominations related to the Interboard Committee for Christian work in Japan.

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word of god is alive and active

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June 25, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Elegie F. Peeters

CALL TO WORSHIP Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Lord our God, may this hour of worship be blessed by thy presence that we may lay hold of fresh sources of spiritual and moral strength. Here may we see a new vision of life in Christ. Amen.

*HYMN 1 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 14: 7-23

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastoral Prayer Choral Response

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

The Vows
Prayer
* The Statement of Faith
* Congregational Welcome: We welcome you with joy as partners in the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. God grant that together we may continue to grow in his knowledge and love and be witnesses of our risen Lord.

ANTHEM The Glory of God in Nature Beethoven

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 353 "Lord, I want to Be a Christian" St. 1,2

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ Bach

The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Higher, My Friend

*HYMN 375 "Lead on, O King Eternal"

*BENEDICTION

* Choral Response Seven-fold Amen

*POSTLUDE Fantasia in C Major Bach

*Congregation will stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Dr. and Mrs. Malvin Artley in memory of their fathers, Mr. Norman Artley and Dr. Charles F. Brown.

RECEIVED as new members today are Mr. and Mrs. Don Atwood, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chafee, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson.

TONIGHT at 7:30 is Family Night.

THIS WEEK: The Adult Choir will rehearse following the morning service...Acolytes meet today at 4:00 ...Parents of girls interested in Girl Scouts meet Tuesday evening at 8:00...The Community Recreation Program for children of Elon in grades 1-8 continues each morning this week..Daily Devotional Guides for July-August are in the Narthex...The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated next Sunday...Tom Hamilton and Butch Trinidad are providing the trumpet accompaniment today... Articles for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is set for July 31 - August 4. Directors are Mrs. Bill Blanchard and Mrs. Mack Lackey. Plan to attend.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **June 25, 1972**

Hebrews 4:1-13

What does "the word of God" mean to you? For the writer of the Letter to the Hebrews, it meant God's penetrating action that cuts into human life, lays it bare, and "speaks" to it with both judgment and grace, criticism and help. At a time of impending persecution, this writer called his readers to keep the faith. Is "God's word" more than a pious cliché for us now? Do we sense his cutting penetration into our personal commitments, family priorities, job decisions, political loyalties? God's word is not isolated religious talk. It is his probing action into our daily decisions.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST: 1957 – 1972

There are two real dangers in celebrating anniversaries in the church. We may use our interest in the past as a way of averting our eyes from the imperatives of God for today and his promises for the future; or we may use the past as a way of building up our own ego, to show how far we have developed beyond those who preceded us.

On its fifteenth anniversary, the United Church of Christ is blessed in that it does not seriously face either one of these temptations. Its history, relatively speaking, is a brief one. The demands of the present are such that we can ill afford to rehearse such a recent past. Few, if any of us, would prefer to go back to the separation which we knew before 1957. On this anniversary we can affirm that what happened was right and was led by the Spirit of God.

Furthermore, we can be grateful for those who led us into that union, many of whom are still living. Has it ever struck you that, when you look at portraits of your forebears, they are always looking toward you, toward the future? It is, therefore, appropriate on an occasion like this to join with the pioneers of the past and to renew our own commitment to the future.

Robert V. Moss, President
United Church of Christ

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THE WHOLE LAW IS FULFILLED IN ONE WORD

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July 2, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Fugue in A Minor J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

Choral Introit: Open now thy gates of beauty. Zion, let me enter there, where my soul in joyful duty waits for him who answers prayer. O how blessed is this place, filled with solace, light and grace!

*UNISON PRAYER

O Lord our God, in joyfulness we recognize your leading of our lives. As a company of seekers, we are grateful for these moments to turn our thoughts from ourselves to your wonderful presence with us. In devotion we offer the prayer our Master taught his disciples:

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 251 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

RESPONSIVE READING 122 P. 543

NEW TESTAMENT READING Galatians 5: 1, 13-23

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayers for the People

MEDITATION The Gospel is Freedom

THE OFFERING

Offertory Andante Guilmant
* Cong. Response We Give Thee But Thine Own
* Prayer of Dedication

THE SERVICE OF COMMUNION

The Invitation of Christ
Communion Collect
General Confession (in unison) Hymnal, P. 495
Assurance of Pardon
Words of Institution
Distribution of the Elements
* Thanksgiving

*HYMN 60 "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name"

*BENEDICTION Dr. W. W. Sloan
* Congregational Response The Doxology
*POSTLUDE Selected

*Congregation will stand

A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended each of you as you worship with us today. We especially welcome Dr. W. W. Sloan who is serving as our liturgist of the morning.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. George Noah in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Euel Alvin Noah and Mr. and Mrs. John Eugene Stroud.

THE HOLY COMMUNION is served today to all confirmed members of Christ's church. We celebrate "open communion", inviting all professing Christians to join us in this Sacrament of Faith.

THIS WEEK: The Board of Deacons meets this evening at 7:30...On Wednesday evening the Music Committee meets at 7:00 and the Building Committee at 7:30... The Church Office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4 ...Daily Devotional Guides for July-August are in the Narthex.

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 2, 1972

Galatians 5:1-15

Is love the most important word in the world? Does it express our deepest longing? Does it fulfill every demand? Paul depicts love as our response to God's gift of freedom in Christ. For Paul, Christ himself is God's love at work to accept us as we are. This in turn frees us to love, to serve one another, not to gain God's favor but to show its fruits. Our first affirmation is not The Declaration of Independence but a Declaration of Dependence on God's love. That dependence leads to true liberty, the liberty to love as God's patriots.

A GOSPEL OF HEALTH AND HOME

When Dr. Raj Arole and his wife Dr. Mabelle Arole opened their public health clinic in the summer of 1970, in the village of Jamkhed, 300 miles southeast of Bombay, they expected half-a-dozen patients. In the space of three hours, more than three hundred came. They came with all the hurts and illnesses of mankind—burns, cuts, infections, broken bones, *kwashiorkor* (the protein deficiency disease), and a host of other diseases. They came with curiosity and with hope.

Today, two years later, thousands of children have been immunized against typhoid, diphtheria, tetanus, polio, whooping cough, and smallpox. Adults come, not only when they are sick, but also when they are well, for basic health education and family planning. Sub-centers have been set up in nearby villages with schoolteachers as volunteer helpers.

The aim of this project, which has been helped along by the United Church Board for World Ministries, is to provide comprehensive health care. Curative medicine, of course, comes first, but preventive medicine is the long-term goal. Yet physical healing is only part of the story, for the ministry of the Aroles is to both the body and the spirit. As Dr. Raj Arole puts it, "We are called to be Good Samaritans, but we are primarily called to share the life we have found in Christ."

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THEY SEEK A BETTER HOMELAND

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July 9, 1972 11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE Adagio for Organ G. F. Handel

CALL TO WORSHIP Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Lord our God, who has taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and one another, grant us the spirit of grace and peace that we may be strengthened to act according to our professions. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

*HYMN 267 "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 30: 1, 8-18
* The Gloria Patri
NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 5: 17-26

SOLO Come Praise the Lord G. F. Handel
(Mrs. A. B. Gminder, Soprano)

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response

CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 440 "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"
THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory When in the Hour of Deepest Need Bach
* Cong. Response We Give Thee But Thine Own
* Prayer of Dedication
SERMON The Hard Prelude to Worship

*HYMN 218 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

*BENEDICTION

* Choral Response The Doxology

*POSTLUDE Allegro F. Mendelssohn

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TONIGHT church softball will be held at six o'clock at the college field. Children and adults are invited for a fun evening.

THIS WEEK: The Weekday Recreation Program at the Middle School for children in grades 1 - 8 continues at 9:00 a.m. each morning...The Christian Education Committee meets Tuesday evening at 7:00...On Wednesday evening the Music Committee meets at 7:00 and the Building Committee at 7:30...Articles for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning.

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. Birdie Crutchfield is a surgical patient at Memorial Hospital.

NEXT SUNDAY our early Service in contemporary style will be held at 9:00. Church School will follow at 9:45 and second Service at 11:00.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - July 31 to August 4.

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 9, 1972

Hebrews 11:8-16

Where is your homeland? You may think first of the country of your citizenship. But the writer of the Letter to the Hebrews challenges any earthly geography as our ultimate homeland. He points to "the city . . . whose maker and builder is God." We all want to build our present homeland for a long future, but we realize that countries come and go and our own lives come to an end. People of faith are a pilgrim people, living in the here and now with courage and compassion, but knowing that "you can't take it with you," and moving toward a city beyond all earthly loyalties.

OPERATION DOORSTEP

Each Monday morning a group of four dedicated women meet on the second floor of the Central Congregational Church's educational building in downtown Topeka, Kansas. Their task: to sort, mend, arrange for display, and distribute good used clothing. This clothing bank is just one of the services offered by Operation Doorstep, a six-year-old venture in interdenominational and community cooperation.

Doorstep, which began with the impetus of an emergency program of relief following a disastrous tornado, now works with children by providing a nursery school and a day-care center; with youth by providing summer trips, camp scholarships, and a coffee house; and with families by providing homemaking classes, food, clothing and furniture banks; and by spearheading community efforts in housing and education.

United Church of Christ, Methodist, Roman Catholic, Presbyterian, Disciples, Baptist, Lutheran, and Church of God congregations are all participants—some twenty local churches in all. Community cooperation has come through local, state, and federal funding of certain programs, through the local school board, and through the University of Kansas and Washburn University. Through *Our Christian World Mission,* the Kansas-Oklahoma Conference of the United Church of Christ, the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries, and our U.C.C. Commission for Racial Justice contribute financially to the program.

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let us hold fast the confession of our faith, encouraging one another

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July 16, 1972 11:00 a.m

PRELUDE Priere Boellman

CALL TO WORSHIP Gracious God, I Come Before Thee
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION
Teach us, O Lord, the disciplines of patience, for we find that to wait is often harder than to work. When we wait upon you we shall not be ashamed but shall renew our strength. Amen.

*HYMN 35 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

OLD TESTAMENT READING I Samuel 3: 1-1
* The Gloria Patri
NEW TESTAMENT READING I Corinthians 1: 18-3

SOLO The Lord's Prayer Warre
(Mrs. McSherry Lackey, Soprano)

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People

CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 223 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory Aria in F Major Boellman
* Cong. Response We Give Thee But Thine Own
* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Voices in The Night

*HYMN 426 "The Voice of God is Calling"

*BENEDICTION
* Congregational Response The Doxolog

*POSTLUDE Toccata in F Major Buxtehude

*Congregation will stand

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walter in memory of her aunt, Mrs. William Brady.

TODAY our early Service is held at 9:00, church school at 9:45, and second Service at 11:00. Thanks to the Men's Chorus for their anthem at the early Service and to Mrs. Lackey, soloist at both Services.

THE WEEKDAY RECREATION PROGRAM for children in grades 1 - 8 continues at 9:00 a.m. each morning this week at the Middle School.

NEXT SUNDAY, our Guest Minister is Dr. William J. Elzey. The Pastor and family will be on vacation July 18 - 25. The Church Office will be open as usual. In an emergency or need, you may have the minister contacted by calling the Church Secretary, Mrs. Anne Carty (584-5061), church; (226-1011), home, or our church moderator, Mr. J. B. Long.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be held July 31 - August 4. Registration forms are on the Narthex table. Families who can attend are asked to pre-register before leaving today.

TONIGHT church softball will be held at six o'clock at the college field. Children and adults are invited for a fun evening.

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EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **July 16, 1972**

Hebrews 10:19-25

What would we endure for the sake of our faith? If we were compelled to choose, under the threat of persecution and even death, between a loyalty to our nation and a loyalty to Christ, what would we do? That is the kind of choice early Christians and modern Christians sometimes have had to make. If we have known "the new and living way" in Christ, can we renounce it? If God is faithful, can we be faithless? Do we have a faith by which to live until we embrace and encourage one another in a faith for which we would die?

WHAT THE NEWSPAPER ADS LEAVE UNSAID

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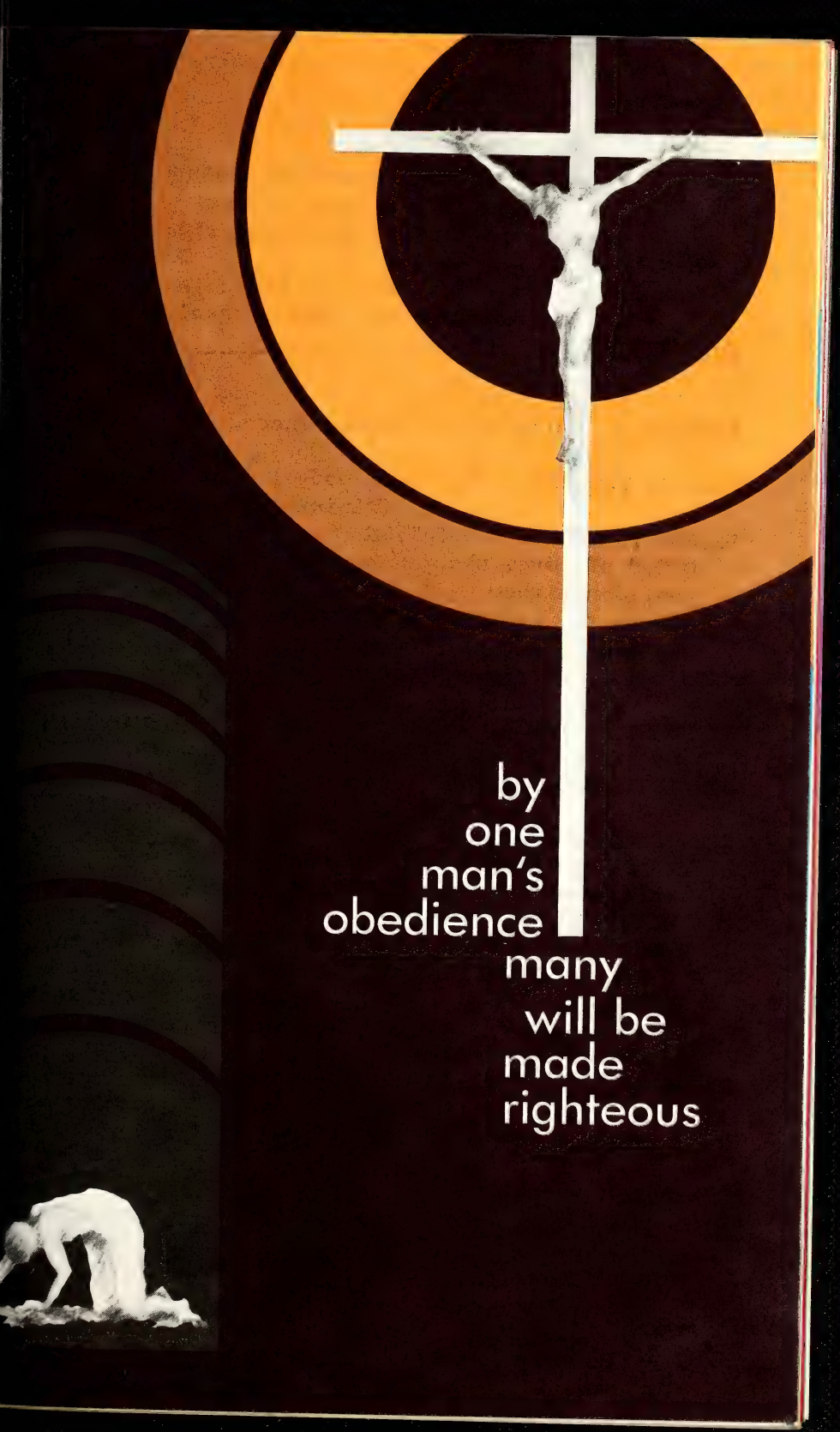
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EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **July 16, 1972**

Hebrews 10:19-25

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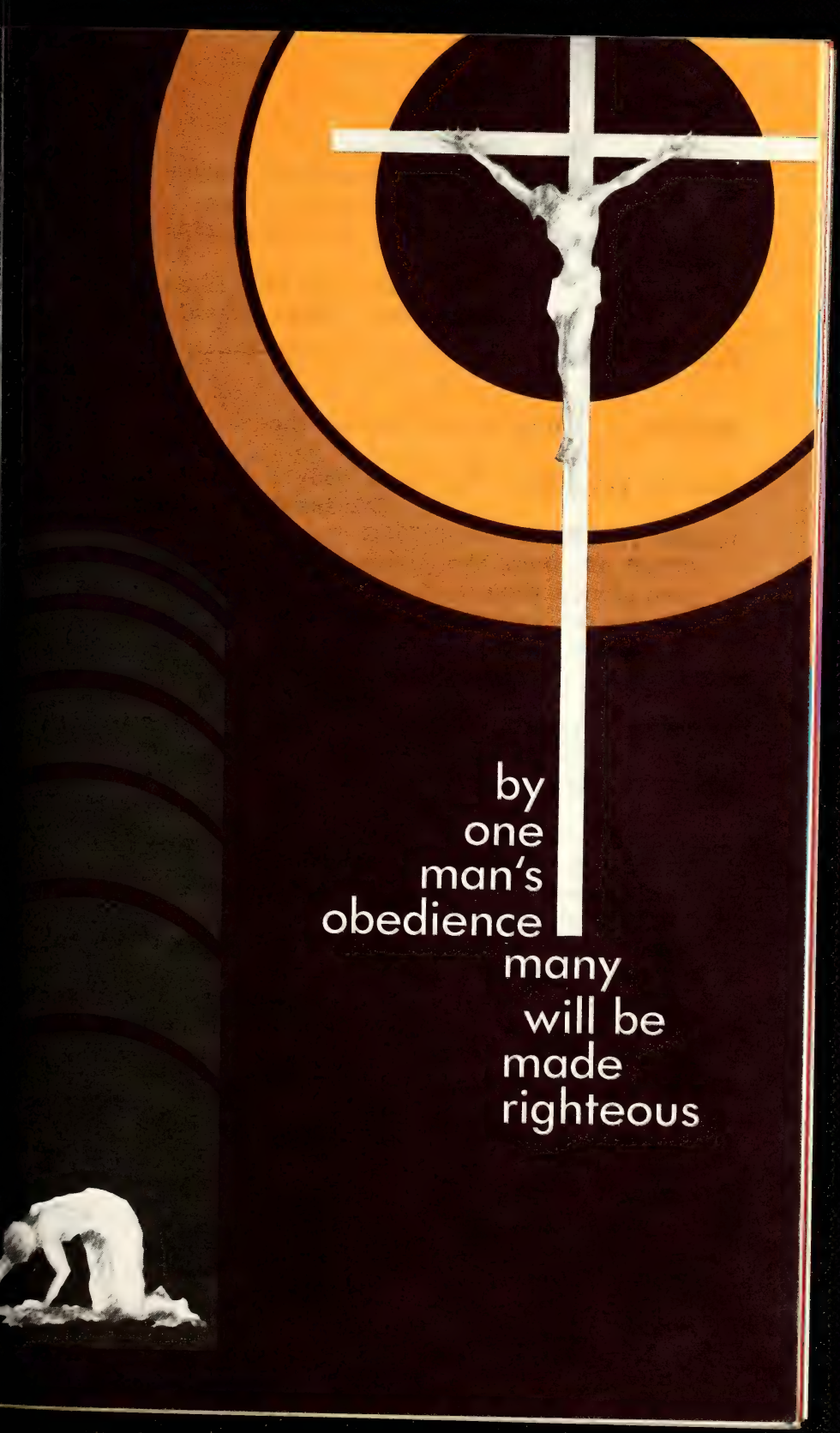
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Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone 584-9294
Mrs. Samuel Post, Jr., Dir. of Christian Education
Maurine Gminder, Guest Organist

July 23, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE O Lord, We Praise Thee Van Hulse

CALL TO WORSHIP Gracious God, I come Before Thee
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION
O God of love, who teaches us in quietness and confidence thou wilt be our strength, lift us now to thy presence where we may be still and know that thou art God. Amen.

*HYMN 13 "Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him"

RESPONSIVE READING 106 Psalm 139
* The Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 19: 23-25
Matthew 16: 21-25

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 380 "March on, O Soul, With Strength"

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory Beautiful Savior Peeters
* Cong. Response We Give Thee But Thine Own
* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Wanted--Gamblers for God! Dr. Elzey

*HYMN 366 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

*BENEDICTION
* Congregational Response The Doxology

Out of sorts?
Time too short?
Or too long?
What is wrong?
Have no pen?
Too much din?
Got a pain?
Loss or gain?
Weather too hot?
Working a lot?
Children crying?
Shopping and buying?
Want some fishing?
Time for wishing?
Tires need changing?
House rearranging?
Do the bugs bite?
What, at night?
Have more guests?
Hair's a'messed?
IS YOUR HEAD IN THE NOOSE?

THEN, WHAT'S <u>YOUR</u> EXCUSE???

July 31 - Aug 4 CREATIVITY All AGES

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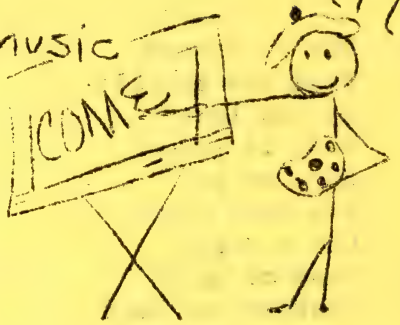

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DISCOVERING GOD'S WORLD

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Audio-Visuals

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Special Surprise

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POSTLUDE Ah, What is Our Life? J. S. Bach

*Congregation will stand

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. & Mrs. J. L. Dixon in memory of their parents Mr. & Mrs. J. T. Dixon and Mr. & Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

OUR GUEST MINISTER today is Dr. William J. Elzey, Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religion at Elon College and an associate member of this congregation. We thank also Mrs. Maurine Gminder who is our guest organist. The Pastor and family will return Tuesday from a week's vacation.

THE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to the family upon the death of Dr. William T. Scott on July 17.

THIS WEEK: The Music Committee meets Wednesday evening at 7:00...The Christian Education Committee meets Thursday evening at 7:00 at the parsonage.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL for the whole family will be held next week, July 31 to August 4. Pre-registrations are needed today. Installation and dedication of the VBS Staff will be held next Sunday morning.

HOSPITALIZED: Mr. Connie Howard in Memorial Hospital.

SEVERAL of our youth, along with Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Post, are participating today in the Worship Service at Congregational United Church of Christ in Greensboro.

by one man's obedience many will be made righteous

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **July 23, 1972**

Romans 5:12-19

What does it mean to obey or disobey? In "Adam" (meaning "mankind"), Paul saw the building of self-glorifying towers as disobedience—man seeks to be God, and human life disintegrates. In Christ, Paul saw the sharing of self-giving love as obedience—man seeks to be man, and human life is restored. God is at work to make us righteous, to set relationships right, to equip us to be fully human. The cross proclaims that life is not for making ourselves God, but for letting him make us truly human and for sharing the self-giving manhood of Christ.

SIGN OF THE EAGLE

Have you seen the Aztec eagle which marks so many of the boxes in which grapes now come to market? It is symbolic of progress in the decade-long struggle by the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee for decent wages, job security, and human dignity for farm workers. It is a struggle in which the United Church of Christ and other church groups—Protestant and Roman Catholic—have played an important part.

Now through the National Farm Worker Ministry, the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries is helping to support the cause of the migrant farm laborer in his struggle for justice. These workers—Mexican-Americans, Filipinos, blacks, whites, Puerto Ricans and others—are still looking for the "freedom and justice" which are a part of the great American promise.

Often working less than eighty days a year, migrant farm workers follow the crops. Their average annual income is less than $2,000 per year. Living conditions by any standard are poor. To help these workers the California Migrant Ministry pioneered a unique worker-priest program which promotes democracy and justice. The National Farm Worker Ministry continues to help interpret to the larger community the needs and aspirations of migrant peoples. Much more needs to be done, but much has already been achieved.

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Mrs. Samuel Post, Jr., Dir. of Christian Education
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

July 30, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Prelude and Fugue in G Major J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP All Creatures of Our God and King
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION
Lord our God, we pray for the quietness of mind to hear your voice speaking to us and the certainty of faith to respond gladly to your will. Amen.

*HYMN 68 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 20: 8-11
* The Gloria Patri
NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 2: 23-27

RECOGNITION AND INSTALLATION
of Vacation Church School Staff
SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 300 "Rise Up, O Men of God"
THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory Chorale in F J. S. Bach
* Cong. Response We Give Thee But Thine Own
* Prayer of Dedication
SERMON Therefore The Lord...Hallowed It

*HYMN 382 "Onward Christian Soldiers"

*BENEDICTION
* Congregational Response The Doxology

*POSTLUDE Sonata in C Minor Mendelssohn

*Congregation will stand

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. J. Mark McAdams in memory of Dr. William T. Scott.

TODAY: Acolytes meet with the Pastor at four o'clock.

THE VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL meets Monday through Friday evenings at seven o'clock. Classes and interest groups are planned for the whole family, children and adults. A creative approach is being given to the theme: "Discovering God's World Through Our Talents." We hope you will come.

HOSPITALIZED: Mr. Connie Howard at Memorial.

ARTICLES for "The Torch" are due in the Secretary's office tomorrow morning.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS meets next Sunday evening at 7:30.

THE UCC FLOOD RELIEF FUND of the Service Division, UCBWM, is at work...a channel for aid to flood victims and stricken communities...in South Dakota, Pennsylvania, southwestern New York State, other areas...Needs outrun description...Conference and church response in areas affected has been spontaneous, magnificent, ecumenical...quick starter grants were made available by One Great Hour of sharing ...scores of volunteer teams have been engaged in clean-up, counseling, rehabilitation.

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 30, 1972

Ephesians 4:1-16

What creates the serious credibility gap in the church's life? One factor certainly is that the very community which speaks of unity and peace often exhibits disunity and hostility. This is not a new problem, since in the first century the writer of the Letter to the Ephesians called for unity and peace. He did not seek to avoid conflict, but he did call for "speaking the truth in love" and letting the diversity of gifts enrich, not fragment, the total ministry. Christian unity and peace (health, wholeness) are not optional. They are indispensable for any credible church.

THAT HUNGRY CHILDREN MIGHT BE FED

Last year, an appropriation of $500,000 by the Iowa State Legislature released some $8,000,000 in federal subsidy for that state's school-lunch program, enabling children of the poor to be fed free or reduced-price lunches. Early in the effort to secure funding for this program, economy-minded legislators were reluctant to vote the funds. The chairman of the Schools Appropriation Sub-committee of the Iowa House of Representatives was asked by reporters, "What happens if the legislature doesn't appropriate funds?" His answer: "Not to appropriate funds would be like playing Russian roulette with the hot lunch program!"

With the help of the Iowa School-Lunch Coalition, whose coordinator was U.C.C. minister Gerald Brown, a staff member of the Iowa Council of Churches, legislators were given basic information on Iowa's needy children and background material on the school-lunch program. The Coalition, which included Roman Catholics as well as Protestants, joined the State Board of Public Instruction in persuading the legislature that the program was indispensable for health and learning. The appropriations bill finally passed the state senate without a dissenting vote.

The Council for Christian Social Action of the United Church of Christ sees school-lunch programs as one concrete way in which communities can combat hunger among children. CCSA works with the Crusade Against Hunger sponsored by the National Council of Churches and with regional and state coordinators like Jerry Brown in training churchmen to monitor and to expand lunch and breakfast programs in schools in selected target areas.

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Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone 584-929

Mrs. Samuel Post, Jr., Dir. of Christian Education
Maurine Gminder, Guest Organist
Acolytes: Joe McLelland and Nathan Gminder

August 6, 1972 11:00 a.m

PRELUDE Te Deum Laudamus Buxtehud

CALL TO WORSHIP All Creatures of Our God and King
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Lord our God, may this time of worship be to us beautiful because we have been in your presence, have heard your Word, and have responded in faith to it. We gather in the Name of Jesus, our Savior Amen.

*HYMN 206 "Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 137: 1-
* The Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT READING Romans 13: 1-

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* HYmn 98 "My God, I thank Thee"

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory In Christ There is no East or West
* Cong. Response We Give Thee But Thine Own
* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Conscience as the Song of Life

*HYMN 63 "Lord Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing (St 1.2)

*BENEDICTION
* Congregational Response The Doxology

*POSTLUDE From God I Will Never Turn Buxtehude

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TODAY: The Board of Deacons meets in the Hunter Room at 7:30 p.m.

THE CIRCLES of the Women's Fellowship meet this week as announced in "The Torch".

THANKS to all the adults and young people who participated in the Vacation Church School this past week. It was an exciting, rewarding, and treasured "Week of Discovery".

THE PASTOR AND FAMILY will be on vacation August 8 - 15. They may be contacted in any emergency or need by calling the Church Office or Mrs. Anne Carty (226-1011). We are delighted that our guest minister next Sunday will be Dr. Clyde Fields, our Association Minister and a member of this congregation.

ON AUGUST 20, our Service of Worship will be held at 9:30 a.m. in order that those who so desire may also attend the 10:30 Baccalaureate-Commencement at Elon College.

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **August 6, 1972**

Romans 13:1-7

What is conscience? The original word has the sense of "knowing with oneself," not being a split personality but having oneself together, of integrating inner convictions with outward actions. Thus, Paul writes to the Romans that their outward civil obedience ought not to be only external compliance but inner affirmation. Yes. But a difficulty arises when there is conflict between the two. Paul does not deal with this directly, but his very concern for conscience opens the door to conscientious objection as well as to conscientious affirmation. The integrity of the person has the priority!

A LITTLE CLOUT THAT COUNTS

In response to community pressure—helped along by the United Church of Christ Office of Communication—three television and two radio stations in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area have agreed to live up to the regulations which govern them. Sixty jobs will be opened to blacks, Mexican-Americans, and Indians within three years. There will be on-the-job training and scholarship programs as well as expanded coverage of public issues vitally affecting minorities.

Helped by legal counsel and technical advice from the Office of Communication of the United Church of Christ, a coalition of twenty-three minority groups have obtained the agreements with these Texas broadcast stations.

The story is repeated regularly across the nation as the Office of Communication assists local groups in their local efforts to work with local stations.

Robert Lewis Shayon, Television Editor of *Saturday Review* magazine, recently pointed out that broadcasters and their Washington lawyers are respectful of the "dedication, sophistication and clout" of the Office of Communication and its Director, Dr. Everett C. Parker.

Our Office of Communication stands ready to help any community group which finds its interests are discriminated against, contrary to law, by the public media.

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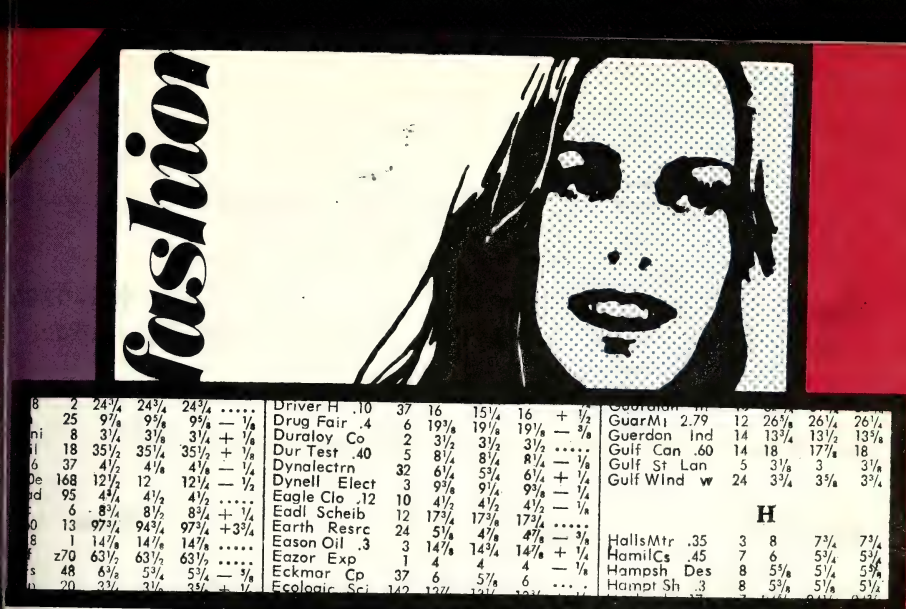

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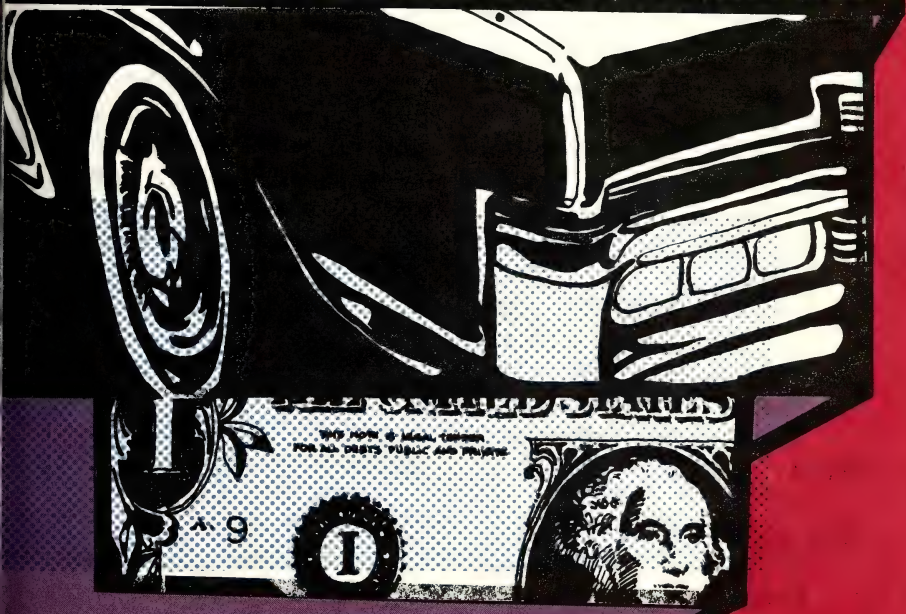

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Mrs. David Bragg, Organist
Acolytes: Steve Perry and Jay Updyke

August 13, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Fantasia in G Pachelbel

CALL TO WORSHIP Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty
(Minister and Choir)

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Lord our God, may this time of worship be to us beautiful because we have been in your presence, have heard your Word, and have responded in faith to it. We gather in the Name of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

*HYMN 228 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

RESPONSIVE READING 103 Psalms 121, 122 P. 536
The Statement of Faith

SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent prayers of the People
The Pastoral Prayer

*HYMN 370 "He Leadeth Me" (St. 1, 2)

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory Andante Cantabile Tartini
* Cong. Response We Give Thee But Thine Own
* Prayer of Dedication

OLD TESTAMENT READING Selected portions of Jonah

SERMON God's Second Chance Dr. Fields

*HYMN 322 "Jesus Calls Us, O'er the Tumult"

*BENEDICTION
* Congregational Response The Doxology

POSTLUDE

Selected

*Congregation will stand

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OUR GUEST MINISTER today is Dr. Clyde Fields, our Association Minister and a member of this congregation. We gladly welcome him to our pulpit.

THE PASTOR AND FAMILY will return from vacation on Tuesday.

THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE meets Tuesday evening at 7:00.

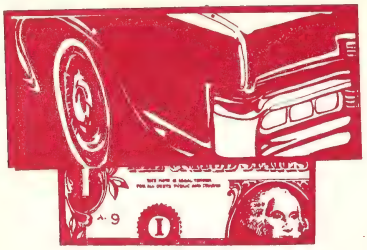
OUR SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY will begin at 9:30 and dismiss by 10:15 in order that those who so desire may also attend the 10:30 Baccalaureate-Commencement at Elon College. The Service will be led by the group of Japanese Christians visiting in our area.

RTICLES for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning.

LEASE PLAN to join us on August 27 as we honor Mrs. Post and our church school staff at a carry-in dinner following the morning service.

HIS WEEKEND, several of our young people along with Mr. and Mrs. Post, are in Boone where they are presenting their drama production.

OSPITALIZED: Mrs. W. M. Riggsbee at Alamance County Hospital; Mr. Vitus Covington at Memorial.



TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **August 13, 1972**

Acts 19:21-27

Why are idols so tempting? Whether ancient or modern, every generation in every geographical location has them. Is it because we want something we can manipulate and control, something that gives a tangible sense of security or power or popularity, something that even may become good business? The Judeo-Christian faith is not anti-material, but it is vigorously anti-idol. Nothing we can control is worthy of our trust. If we trust things we control, they finally control us. Thus warned, the Christian places his trust in God and accepts His guiding presence as the only control of his life.

TURNING MISSION AROUND

What do we mean by the worldwide mission of the church today? Often we think of American churches sending missionaries overseas to predominantly non-Christian countries. This is only half of the story. Christian churches in many parts of the world are participants in the mission, not merely its recipients. For more than a decade the churches of Asia have been turning mission around—sending more than 200 missionaries across national borders.

Over the last several years, at least two overseas churches, the United Church of Christ of the Philippines and the United Church of Christ of Japan, have sent a number of missionaries of their own to the United States for specialized service here. Significantly, these overseas denominations, which are the successors to the missionary efforts of several North American denominations, have led the way in church union. Today they are related to a number of North American denominations—the United Methodist Church, the Reformed Church in America, the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), the United Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., the Presbyterian Church in the U. S., the United Church of Christ, and the United Church of Canada.

These overseas partners in the faith are increasingly turning the mission around. They now bring the liberating spirit of the Gospel to us. Their insights and fresh commitment can help us with our own need for church renewal!

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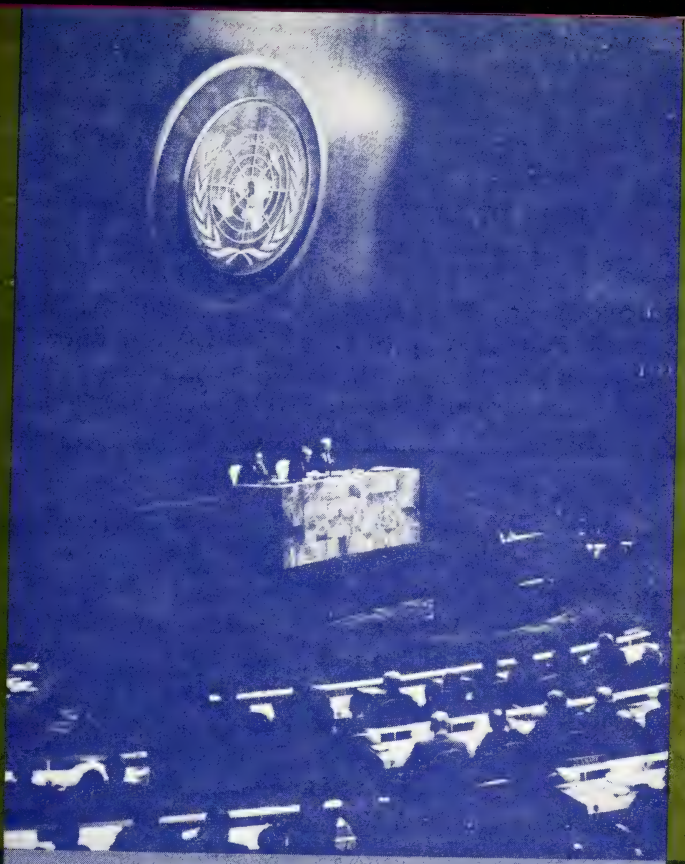

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Esther Gminder and FayeMcLelland, Acolytes

August 27, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Andante G. F. Handel

CALL TO WORSHIP

We assemble ourselves as the people of God;
He who is the Lord is our Lord.
There are no other Lords before Him;
Together let us serve the Lord in worship.

Choral Introit: Grant Me True Courage, Lord

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)

Be in our midst, Lord God, and grant us an awareness of your presence. Create in us clean hearts and renew a right spirit within us. Let us be one in our commitment, even as we are one in your Son, our Savior. Amen.

*HYMN 263 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 84
Mark 9: 2-8

PASTORAL PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER

Dear Father, make all of us here human channels through which your divine love may reach the hearts and lives of those who are nearest us. Amen.

ANTHEM Create In Me a Clean Heart, O God Mueller

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 418 "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"

OFFERING OF SELF AND POSSESSIONS

Offertory Solo Wondrous Love Folk Song
Ellen Barney Williams, Soprano

* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Hey! Hey! Whadaya Say?
Get That Ball and Go!

*HYMN 490 "Now in the Days of Youth"

*BENEDICTION

* Congregational Response The Doxology

*POSTLUDE Voluntary in C Purcell

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*Congregation will stand

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Howard H. Edgerton in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sylvester and Mr. and Mrs. Haskell H. Edgerton.

OUR ALL-CHURCH PICNIC will be held today on the lawn adjacent to the Parish House. We plan to eat at 12:30. The picnic is planned as a recognition and appreciation of Mrs. Post and our entire church school staff.

THE ADULT CHOIR invites the membership to join them each Wednesday evening at 7:30 for rehearsals.

THIS WEEK: Acolytes meet at four o'clock today... Devotional Guides for September-October are available on the Narthex table...Articles for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning...The Building Committee meets Wednesday evening at 7:30...The Weekday Kindergarten begins Thursday morning.

DURING SEPTEMBER our morning worship services will be broadcast over radio station WBBB.

live peaceably with all

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **August 27, 1972**

Romans 12:9-21

"Live peaceably with all." What does that mean? To avoid violence? To cease strife? To stop war? Yes, of course, but peace is much more than that. Violence and strife and war result from our failure to see peace as a way of life. Peace in its biblical sense means life that is full of health, relationships that are whole, a society permeated by justice, a world fully human. For Christians such "peace" flows from God's positive action toward us. He gives us new life and calls us to be his peacemakers.

COMMUNICATING THE INDIAN POINT OF VIEW

Not long ago, tribal leaders of a large Midwest American Indian reservation began pressuring the community for more adequate representation on the local school board. After all, they said, most of the children in the school were Indian. Local whites, however, objected, and the story was written up in terms of "outsiders" putting pressure on the community! Newspapers in many off-reservation, largely-white communities unfortunately, often reflect only the white "colonial" point of view.

A little over a year ago, representatives of many tribes gathered in Denver and determined that the Indian point of view had to be communicated more adequately. What was needed, they felt, was a trustworthy source of information for tribal and inter-tribal publications and for the public media. They therefore founded the American Indian Press Service, with initial grants from the federal Bureau of Indian Affairs (which has since terminated its support) and from a number of private groups and individuals. This year, the American Indian Press Service is receiving funds from our United Church of Christ Council for American Indian Ministry and from the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries. Perhaps now it will be possible for all of us to hear and see news communicated from the Indian point of view.

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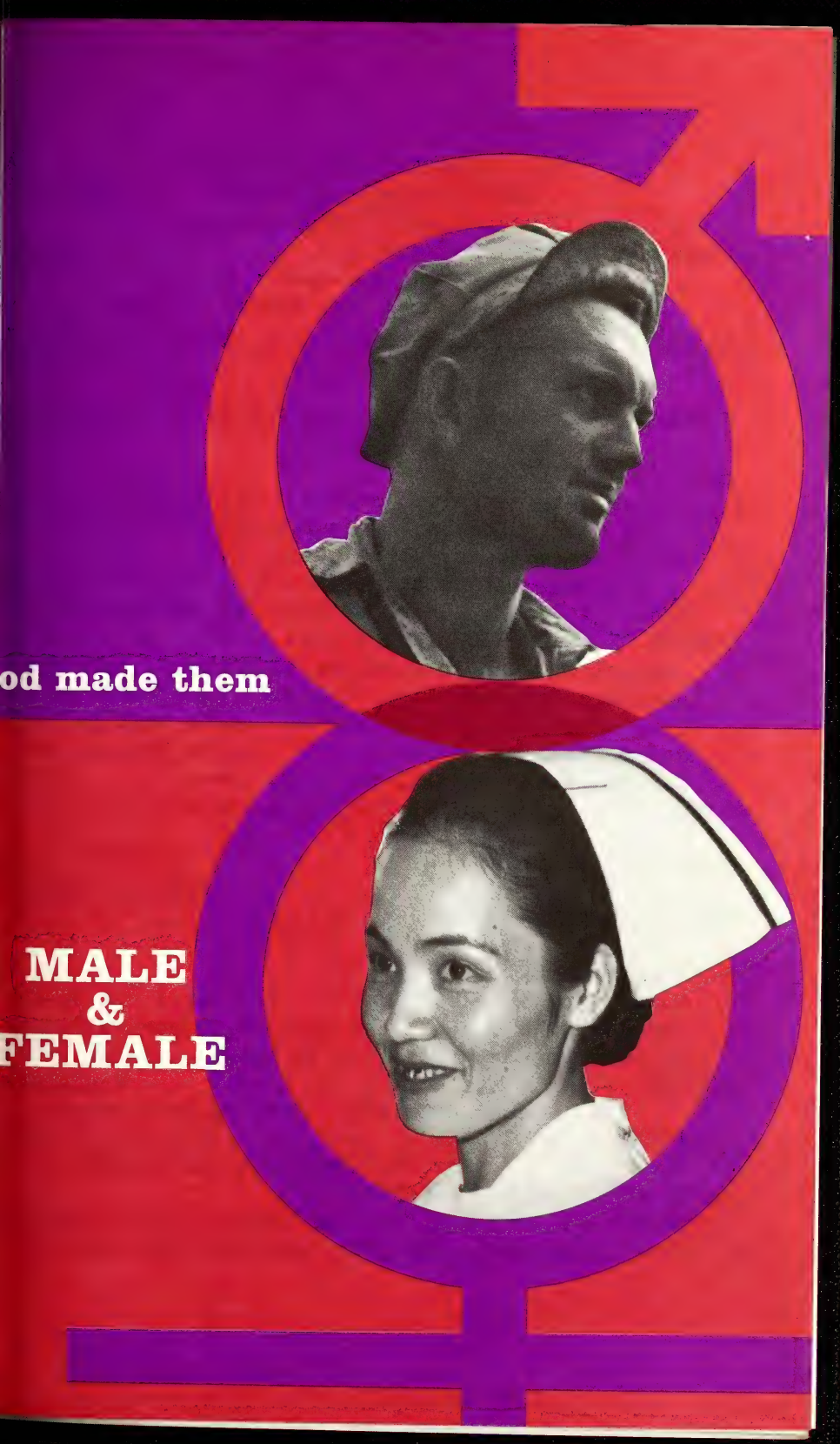
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Mrs. David Bragg, Director of Music
Joe McLelland and Steve Perry, Acolytes

September 3, 1972 11:00 a.m

PRELUDE Trio on "Jesu, Meine Freude" Marpur

CALL TO WORSHIP

We assemble ourselves as the laity of God;
He who is the Lord is our Lord.
There are no other Lords before Him;
Together let us serve the Lord in worship.

Choral Introit: Grant Me True Courage, Lord

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)

Eternal God who inspires us to worship, into your presence we come with reverence, thankfulness, and joy. May our minds be renewed as we wait in praye and meditation on your Word. In the Name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN 15 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

SCRIPTURE READINGS Proverbs 4: 1-
Ephesians 4: 1-1

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH (in unison)

PASTORAL PRAYER

Unison Prayer: Dear Father, may our lives be so committed to Christ that through us your will may be done on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

ANTHEM I Waited for the Lord Mendelssoh
(Mrs. Maurine Gminder, Mrs. Peggy Lackey)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 66 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

OFFERING OF SELF AND POSSESSIONS

Offertory How Fair and How Pleasant Art Thou Dupr

* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Vocation

*HYMN 341 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"

*BENEDICTION

* Congregational Response The Doxology

*POSTLUDE Fugue in E Minor G. Tellemann

*Congregation will stand

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Dr. and Mrs. T. E. Powell, III, in memory of his mother, Mrs. Sophia Maude Sharpe Powell.

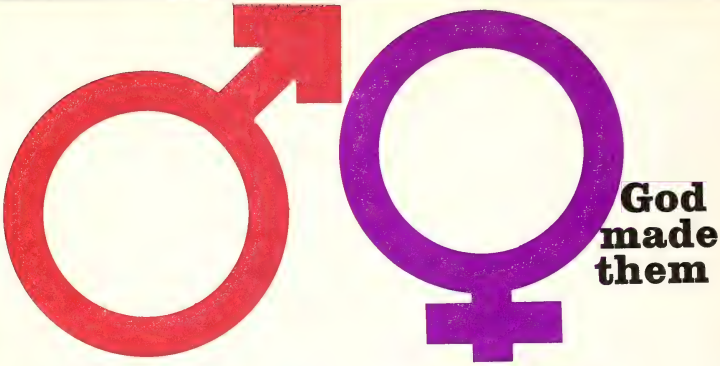
TODAY: Men who would like to be in the Men's Chorus are asked to remain for a few minutes after the Service...The Board of Deacons meets at 7:30.

WOMEN: The Executive Board of the Women's Fellowship meets tomorrow evening at 7:30. The Christian Education Chairmen of each circle will meet Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the Hunter Room.

NEXT SUNDAY is Promotion Sunday in the Church School. Children and adults will meet in the Sanctuary at 9:45.

THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINIC meets in the Parish House Tuesday, 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.

DURING SEPTEMBER our morning worship services will be broadcast over radio station WBBB.



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **September 3, 1972**

Mark 10:1-16

The family is no accident. The Bible is clear that God intended a man and woman to marry, be faithful to one another, and raise and love their children. It is also clear that the responsibility for sound family life cannot be laid upon any one member of the family. Mutual respect and love, mutual concern and responsibility are necessary if the family is to be the loving and nurturing unit it can and must be. The husband must cherish his wife, but she must in turn cherish him. Children must obey their parents, and parents respect and love their children. As God loved us, so we must love one another. That is the basis for the Christian family.

A MISSION IN CINCINNATI

Frequently in the past, the church's only contact with the business industrial world has been either to ask for money or to make unconstructive criticisms. Recently, however, religious agencies have been established for the purpose of serving the business community—not to cover up its faults but to work with it to make life more meaningful, just and real for workers and management alike.

An example of this kind of religious organization is the Cincinnati Industrial Mission (CIM). Founded in 1961, CIM is supported by six church groups: the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Episcopal Church, United Presbyterian Church, Roman Catholic Church, United Methodist Church, and United Church of Christ (through our Board for Homeland Ministries).

One of CIM's basic purposes is to eliminate institutional racism and sexism in businesses, schools, and churches. This objective is achieved by conducting massive re-training programs designed to include all the managerial and supervisory personnel in a given organization (for example, 528 persons from Cincinnati Gas & Electric, 464 from Shillito's Department Stores, 450 from Bethesda Hospital).

Since 1969, CIM has conducted forty workshops on institutional racism for 1,703 persons, of whom 1,512 were management personnel who supervised some 17,000 employees in nine companies and hospitals. Through such CIM programs, job opportunities are being opened up for blacks and women, especially opportunities in management.

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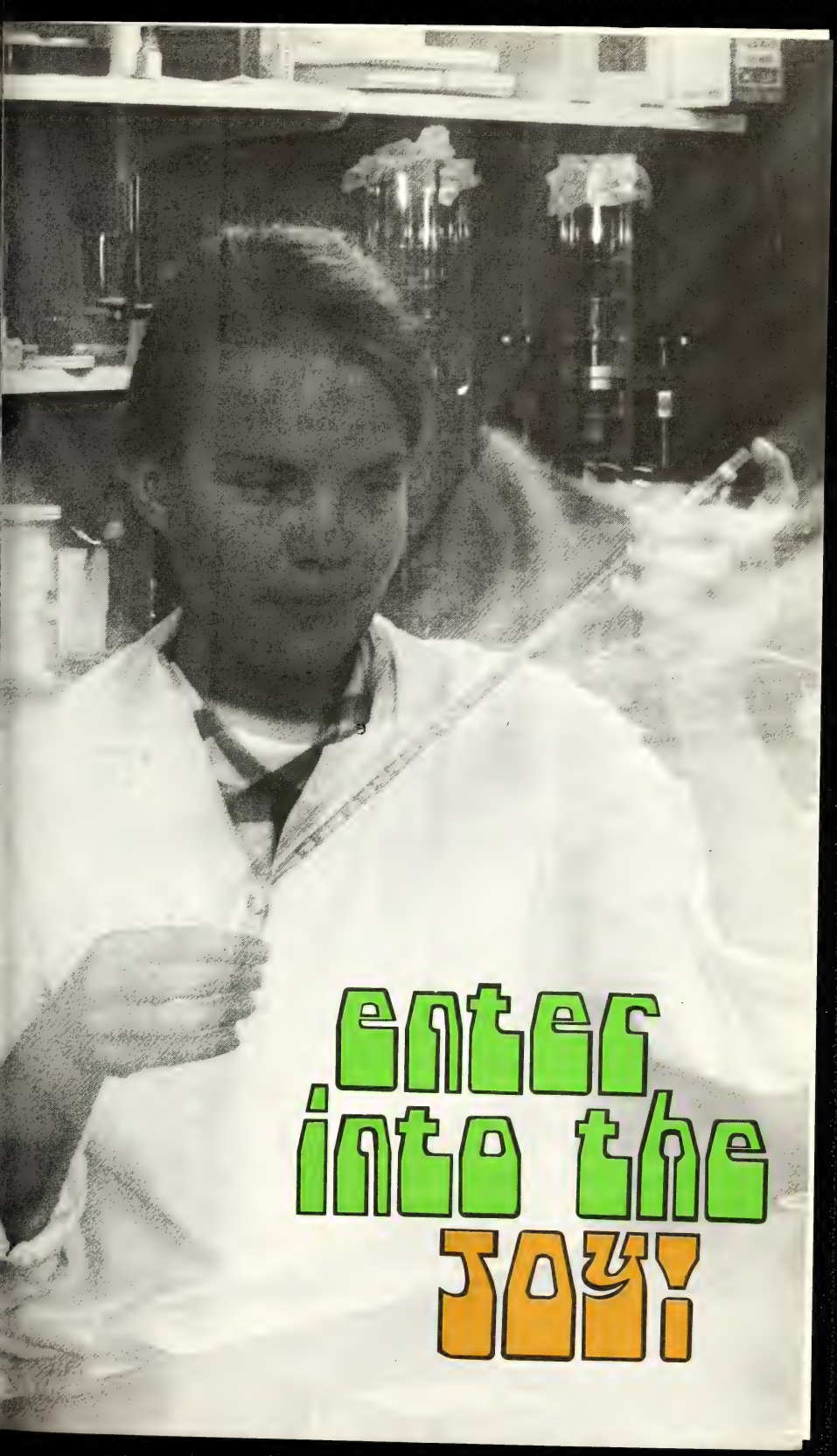
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Mrs. David Bragg, Director of Music
Cindi Rinker and Jenny Seamster, Acolytes

September 10, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Blessed is the Lord A. Rowley

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit: Grant Me True Courage, Lord

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)
Our Father in heaven, we come by your invitation seeking truth and renewed strength for the living of these days. May this hour be so radiant with your presence that all our hours may find new beauty, purpose, and meaning. In the Name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN 7 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 25: 14-29

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH (in unison)

PASTORAL PRAYER
Unison Prayer: Dear Father, may our lives be so committed to Christ that through us your will may be done on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

ANTHEM Blessing and Honor C. F. Mueller

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 227 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

OFFERING OF SELF AND POSSESSIONS
Offertory "Spirit of God" Men's Chorus
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON <u>Each According To His Ability</u>

*HYMN 446 "God the Omnipotent"

BENEDICTION

Congregational Response — The Doxology

POSTLUDE — Honor and Glory — Van Hulse

*Congregation will stand

A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we recognize the return of the students and faculty of Elon College. We hope that participation in the life of this congregation will be a meaningful part of your college experience.

THE QUARTERLY MEETING of the Women's Fellowship is tomorrow evening at 7:30 in the Parish House. The Christian Education Committee will present the new program materials for the year. All women are invited.

NEXT SUNDAY our early service in contemporary style will begin at 9:00, church school at 9:45, and worship at 11:00.

HOSPITALIZED: Willard White at Memorial.

THIS WEEK: Articles for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning...the Adult Choir rehearses Wednesday evening at 7:30...The Building Committee meets Wednesday evening at 7:30...The last performance of the Youth play is scheduled for next Sunday morning at 9:00. Rehearsal will be Saturday morning at 10:00 in the Sanctuary.

DURING SEPTEMBER our morning services are being broadcast over radio station WBBB-AM.

FAMILIES who wish to place flowers in the church for a special Sunday are asked to call Miss Mary Lee Foster or Mrs. L. D. Martin.

enter into the joy!

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **September 10, 1972**

Matthew 25:14-30

How often, and how wrongly, we think of joy as dependent on idleness. If only we did not have to work, if only we could loaf the whole day long, think how happy we could be. Life is just not like that, though. The meaning a life has comes from what that life contributes to others, and, apart from meaning, there can be no lasting joy. Only if we accept the responsibilities given to us and carry them out in a conscientious way, only if we carry out our tasks honestly and fully, can we experience the kind of joy that makes all of life worth living. Work hard for the good of others! Enter into the joy of life!

SELF-HELP FOR HOLY LAND VILLAGERS

Mrs. Souad Mohamed Zayed, a twenty-year-old refugee whose family fled in 1948 from a village near Ramleh, Palestine, had been married only a few months before the Jordanian civil war of 1970 erupted. The small hut in Zerka, Jordan, where they had settled, was hit by an incendiary bomb and completely burned out. Mrs. Zayed was saved, but her husband was missing. Utterly destitute, she turned for help to a refugee center which is supported by our United Church Board for World Ministries. The Board has been working with Palestinian refugees since 1948—both in Israel and in neighboring Arab lands. The center provides medical, educational, vocational, and family-service aid.

Much of the aid is in the form of self-help projects. Mrs. Zayed, for example, was given help in a sewing center where women are given employment in making clothing for distribution and sale. In addition to distributing second-hand clothing, this center uses bolts of cloth and remnants that are contributed by churchwomen in the U. S. A. and other countries and makes new garments for children. Mrs. Zayed receives a small salary for her work which she can do either at the center or at home. The articles of clothing that she and other women like her make are available for purchase at a low price or distributed free of charge in orphanages or other institutions caring for children.

Such self-help not only stretches the limited number of dollars available, but also gives a sense of worth and dignity to those we help.

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Mrs. David Bragg, Director of Music
Del Atkinson and Nathan Gminder, Acolytes

September 17, 1972 9:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Peace on Earth Young

CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. Al Gminder, Liturgist

Leader: Good morning! The Lord be with you
People: AND WITH YOU
Leader: In the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, let us assemble as the people of God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 64 "All Creatures of Our God and King" (sts. 1,4,5)

NEW TESTAMENT WORD

THE LORD'S PRAYER (New English Bible)

Our Father in Heaven,
Thy Name be hallowed;
Thy kingdom come
Thy will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us the wrong we have done,
As we have forgiven those who have wronged us.
And do not bring us to the test
But save us from the evil one. Amen

THE PLAY "Forgive Us Our Chicken Coops"

Cast:	Lynn Barney	John MacDonald
	Phil Benton	Bill Price.
	Kim Collins	Ruby Riggleman
	Cheryl King	Mark Rinker
	Lena Latta	Karen White

Directed by Mrs. Carol Post

RESPONSIVE READING

O God, I am filled with questions.
I want to believe you are there to help me know the answers.

Why do we long to be loved by others,
yet don't know how or are afraid to give love?

Why do we make rules that insult the humanity of others,
Yet wonder why there is no respect for authority?

Why do we say, "You can learn from your mistakes",
yet we reject those who stumble and fall?

Why do we want to be free, yet don't know how
to be responsible with that freedom?

Why do we say all men are equal in your sight,
yet ignore those in need at home and away from home?

Why do we call the quiet peacemaker a weakling,
yet fear any force that threatens us?

Why do we demand the truth from others,
but when the truth hurts us we don't hear it?

O God, is this why they crucified your Son?

Is this why we still crucify your peacemakers,
reformers, truth-speakers, prophets, and dreamers?

OFFERING OF SELF AND GIFTS

Offertory — Go Tell It on the Mountain — Folk Song

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

HYMN — "We Are One in the Spirit"

1. We are one in the spirit, we are one in the Lord
   We are one in the spirit, we are one in the Lord
   and we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

   Chorus. And they'll know we are Christians by our
   love, by our love, yes, they'll know we
   are Christians by our love

2. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
   We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
   And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

   Chorus:

A BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE — My Faith It is an Oaken Staff — Titcomb

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*Community Stands to Praise the Lord

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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OUR GUEST MINISTER is Dr. Al Gminder, an ordained clergyman, professor of Spanish at Elon College, and a member of this congregation. Our Pastor and family are attending the Homecoming Service at St. Matthew's United Church of Christ, Charlotte. They will return later today.

THANKS to our young people who are presenting their popular play this morning and to Mr. and Mrs. Post.

HOSPITALIZED: Willard White at Memorial.

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September 17, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Song of Joy Jongen

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit: Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)
Almighty God, thou has brought us in this day to this place that we may seek thy will for us together. Warm our hearts, open our minds, that thy word and thy truth may be known to us. Let us become of one spirit and commitment, even as we are one in thy Son, our Savior. Amen.

*HYMN 35 "When Morning Gilds the Skies" (sts. 1-4)

SCRIPTURE READING

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH (in unison)

PASTORAL PRAYER
Unison Prayer: Dear Father, may our lives be so committed to Christ that through us your will may be done on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

ANTHEM The Spacious Firmament on High Haydn

CHILDREN'S SERMON Who is My Neighbor?

* Hymn 269 "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

OFFERING OF SELF AND POSSESSIONS
Offertory Our Father, Thou in Heaven Praetorius

* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON <u>Not Good if Detached</u>

*HYMN 366 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

*BENEDICTION

* Congregational Response The Doxology

*POSTLUDE Finale Vierne

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PLEASE notify the Church Office of all new addresses of our college students.

a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **September 17, 1972**

Luke 12:13-21

The problem with abundance is that the limit is never reached. No soone does our wealth reach one level than we are already aiming at a larger salary or bank account. No sooner have we an auto than we want a boat. Yet there can be no happy and useful life based on the accumulation of possessions, simply because we can never have enough. But there is another reason as well. Possessions and the desire for them put our own selfishness at the center of our life, and other people become simply the means to our own selfish end. To live that way is to walk a treadmill of anxiety and discontent. Life is for giving, not getting, or one has no life at all.

UNITED MINISTRIES IN EDUCATION

What is the future of Christian education likely to be? An experienced educator such as the Reverend Donald L. Griggs of Livermore, California thinks about this question almost daily.

His answer? "I don't think any one model of the educational enterprise is going to make it in the future," Griggs says. "There are going to have to be lots of them."

More and more these educational programs will be ecumenical in nature. Through our United Church Board for Homeland Ministries we participate in Joint Educational Development. JED is already under way with six denominations studying together the educational challenges to the church in the '70's and '80's. The denominations also cooperate in United Ministries in Higher Education and in their approach to public education.

What of the dream for Christian education in the local church? "My idea is that church-school teachers may or may not be salaried in the future, but there will have to be first-class facilities and the latest resources to provide learning experiences for every age—for the whole community of Christians. The church has given education too low a priority, particularly in the budget," says Griggs. "That has to change."

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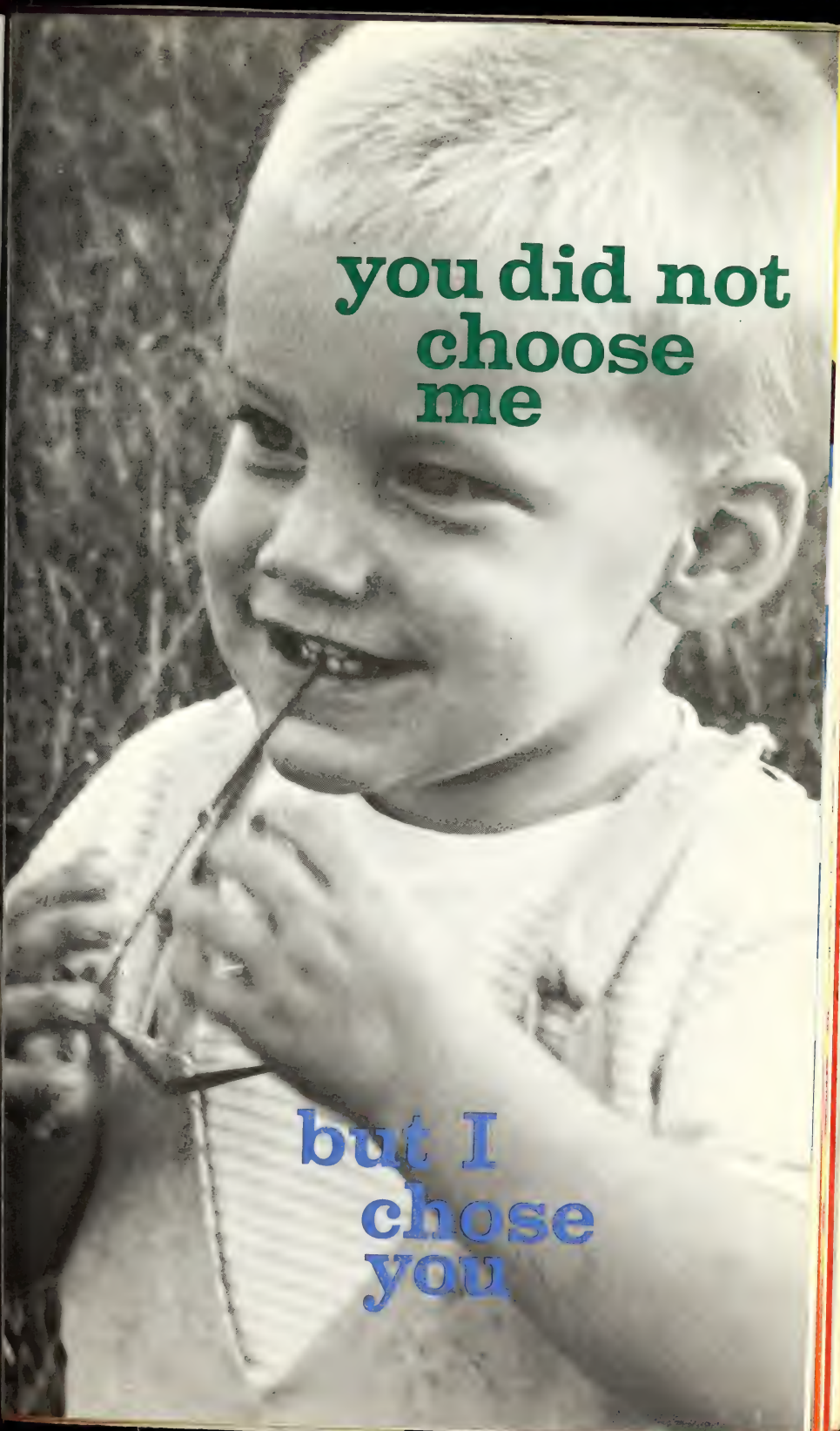
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September 24, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE My Heart is Filled With Longing J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit: Lord, to Thee Our Song We Pour

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)
Almighty God, our Father, we come into thy presence remembering thy promise that in all places where thy Name is heard, thou wilt meet with thy people and bless them. We would claim that promise now as we worship in the spirit of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 68 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

GOSPEL READINGS Matthew 20: 20-28
John 15: 12-20

THE STATEMENT OF FAITH (in unison)

PASTORAL PRAYER
Unison Prayer: Dear Father, may our lives be so committed to Christ that through us your will may be done on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

ANTHEM Behold the Lamb of God! Ehret

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 353 "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

OFFERING OF SELF AND POSSESSIONS
Offertory Air in G Handel
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Love's Inverted Pyramid

*HYMN 63 "Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing"
(stanzas 1 & 2)

*BENEDICTION
Congregational Response — The Doxology
*POSTLUDE — Selected

*Congregation will stand

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ONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Loy whose Service of Marriage was celebrated on September 22 and to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald W. Bolton, Jr., whose Service of Marriage was celebrated September 23.

IS WEEK: Our Service today is being broadcast over radio station WBBB-AM...The acolytes will meet with the Pastor at 4:00 today...Junior Choir for children in grades 4, 5, 6, and 7 rehearses Wednesday at 3:30...Adult Choir rehearses Wednesday at 7:30... Articles for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning.

ORIENTATION CLASS for new members will meet next Sunday at 9:45 in the office of the Director of Christian Education. We invite and urge our visitors to unite with our church membership.

E SACRAMENT of Holy Communion will be celebrated here next Sunday.

SPITALIZED: Willard White at Memorial and Mrs. William Barbee at Cone.

I chose you

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **September 24, 1972**

John 15:12-27

How we like to act as though somehow our fate were in our own hands. And how we like to think of ourselves as responsible for our life and all the accomplishments we achieve. How little we remember that our very life is a gift from God, and must be used in the ways he has shown us. Who asks the child if he wants to be born? His parents choose him long before he is born. Who asked us if God should love us and give his son for us? He chose us long before we were born, and sent his son to die for us. How ungrateful the child who assumes he does not owe his life to his parents. What then are we when we act as though we were our own masters?

THE NITTY-GRITTY OF REHABILITATION

How can the church help reduce repeated offenses by prisoners released from federal reformatories? This past year, the Commission for Racial Justice (CRJ) got down to providing a nitty-gritty answer. The answer speaks to a limited situation. Not every reformatory can be helped, nor every released prisoner. But a start has been made. Working with Delta Sigma Theta, a black service-sorority, and Oneamerica, Inc., a minority consulting firm, CRJ is cooperating in a program related to the federal reformatory at Alderson, West Virginia, the larger of two federal facilities for women.

Between 200 and 300 women—most of them black, Puerto Rican, or Chicano—are receiving six months of special guidance and vocational training prior to their release. After being released, the women receive a year of rehabilitative assistance from members of United Church of Christ congregations and of chapters of Delta Sigma Theta in fifteen major midwestern and eastern cities. Church volunteers help the women to find jobs and housing and try to develop a receptive attitude on the part of the communities. Decent housing, jobs with dignity, and meaningful social relationships have been identified by the women themselves as among their most important needs.

While direct funding for the experimental program comes from three federal agencies, your gifts to CRJ, channeled through the Neighbors in Need all-church offering and the Crisis in the Nation appeal, have made possible the participation of the United Church of Christ.

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October 1, 1972 World Communion Sunday 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Two Pieces for Trio J. Ibert

CALL TO WORSHIP
Choral Introit Lord of Harvest
Prayer of Invocation
*HYMN 251 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

NEW TESTAMENT READING Galatians 3: 23-28
* Gloria Patri
THE PASTORAL PRAYER with Choral Amen
Pastor: The Lord be with you
People: And with thy spirit
Pastor: Let us pray:
ANTHEM Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness Handel

SERMON There is Neither...

THE OFFERING
Offertory Communion Meditation Smidt
* Cong. Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication
*HYMN 107 "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"
(stanzas 1, 2)

THE SERVICE OF COMMUNION
The Invitation of Christ
Communion Collect
General Confession (in unison) Hymnal, p. 495
Assurance of Pardon
Words of Institution
Distribution of the Elements
* Thanksgiving

IYMN 341 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"
(stanzas 1-4)

BENEDICTION
Choral Response Threefold Amen
POSTLUDE Passacaglia in G Minor G. Young

*Congregation will stand

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THE HOLY COMMUNION is served today to all confirmed members of Christ's Church. We celebrate "open communion", inviting all professing Christians to join us in this Sacrament of Faith.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mrs. J. A. Hunter in memory of her husband, Dr. J. A. Hunter, and her mother, Mrs. J. E. Gilliland.

OUR THANKS go to the guest musicians accompanying the Prelude and Anthem. They are Mrs. Carolee Lane, Clarinet; Mrs. Alice Smith, Oboe; and Dr. David Bragg, Bassoon, members of the Woodwind Quintet of Elon College.

THE BOARD OF DEACONS meets this evening at 7:30 in the Hunter Room.

CIRCLES of the Women's Fellowship meet this week as announced in "The Torch".

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. Florance Smith at Memorial, Burlington, Mr. Jesse Waugh at Memorial, Chapel Hill, and Mrs. Susan Barbee at Cone, Greensboro.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 1, 1972

World Communion Sunday

Neighbors in Need All-Church Offering

Matthew 10:16-2

How does God speak through us? What does he say? What do other people hear God saying when they look at how we live and what we do? To ask the questions is to give the answers. God speaks through us by what we do in our private lives and in our commerce with others. One way we speak is by sharing in the Holy Communion, confessing that we depend on God's mercy, and we are united with our fellow believers. Another way we speak is by what we do with our money. When we give to others, God can use us to show what money is really for. When we listen to God, through Scripture and sacrament, he can and will speak through us. What a joyful challenge!

OUR NEIGHBORS NEED US

Today, through the annual Neighbors in Need all-church offering you have an opportunity to help your neighbors. These neighbors may be persons you have never met. You may have been largely unaware of their needs. But they are real people with the same hopes, fears, and joys which are part of your life. The offering, channeled through the Commission for Racial Justice (CRJ) of the United Church of Christ, will give them a hand-up, not just a handout.

CRJ sees its task as threefold. The Commission helps members of the black community to organize themselves and to mobilize support for solving community social, economic, educational, and political problems. CRJ also assists the black constituency of the United Church of Christ to assume a more meaningful role in the life of the church. And because the crisis in America is a white problem as well as a black problem, CRJ works with white congregations, too, to help them become more sensitive to the hidden yet powerful racism in our society.

All this the Commission does--and more—with the funds you help make available. Specific grants from CRJ fund important projects in a dozen cities located in ten U. C. C. conferences. When we give to the NIN offering, it's our neighbors we're helping. They need our help.

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ese twelve Jesus sent out

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina

Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone: 584-0391
Miss Mary Sexton, Guest Organist
Faye McLelland and Jenny Seamster, Acolytes

October 8, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Toccata and Fugue in D Minor J. Eberlin

CALL TO WORSHIP Revelation 21:3

Pastor: I heard a loud voice proclaiming from the heavens: "Now at last God has his dwelling among men".

People: "He will dwell among them and they shall be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God."

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

The Lord's Prayer

*HYMN 246 "Come, Thou Almighty King"

THE LIVING WORD

Old Testament Amos 3:1-8

* The Gloria Patri

Gospel Matthew 10:1-1

THE WORD OF PRAYER

The silent prayers of the people

The pastor's prayer for the people

Choral Response Twofold Amen

THE SPOKEN WORD

Anthem All Glory be to God on High German Chorale

Welcome

Children's Sermon

* Hymn 224 "O Lord and Master of us All" (Tune:223

Sermon <u>So Send I You</u>

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory "Largo" from Concerto in D Minor Bach

* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn 426 "The Voice of God is Calling"

* Benediction

* Choral Response Threefold Amen

* Postlude Toccata in E Minor J. Pachelbel

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Cary R. Matlock in memory of their fathers, Mr. J.W. Matlock, Sr. and Mr. Donald H. Perry.

HE ANNUAL ASSOCIATION MEETING will be held Wednesday at Gregory Church, Wilmington. Our pastor will be attending, along with Mrs. J. Mark McAdams, Mrs. H.H. Richardson, and Dr. A.L. Hook as delegates.

HE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to the Wesley Alexander Family upon the death of his father, Mr. Samuel G. Alexander of Concord on September 30.

EXT SUNDAY our 9:00 a.m. Service will be led by Elon College students who attended Explo 72. Church School follows at 9:45 and our second Service will be at 11:00, as usual.

SPITALIZED: Mr. Jesse Waugh at Memorial, Chapel Hill and Mrs. Susan Barbee at Cone, Greensboro.

IS WEEK: Junior Choir rehearses Wednesday at 3:30 and adult Choir at 7:30....Articles for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **October 8, 1972**

Matthew 10:5-15

Jesus had some rather specific advice to the twelve men he sent out to help him in his work of announcing the coming of God's Kingdom. They got no general advice, like "Be nice to people" or "Don't offend anyone." Rather, they were to overcome evil in whatever specific form they found it—bodily or mental disease, even death—and they were not to let success, or even failure, delay them. They were sent out to do the work of God. From that first tiny mission has grown the world-wide church, still seeking to overcome the evils of ignorance, disease, and the threat of death, through schools and hospitals, technical aid and economic development.

TO AMERICA WITH LOVE

It started a couple of summers ago as Philadelphia Action '71. This year it was logically labeled Philadelphia Action '72. The program, however, was much the same. Eight to a dozen volunteers from all over the world—Germany, Brazil, Japan, Canada, as well as the U. S. A.—were plunked down in the middle of a large American city for a few weeks to help the church and to be the church in action there. In Philadelphia, they helped provide leadership for a language-arts day camp and for a more generally academic day-camp program sponsored by two local congregations, one a United Church of Christ congregation, the other a merged Episcopal-Presbyterian church.

The youth themselves were mostly members of the International Christian Youth Exchange, an interdenominational program which each year transports young people from one part of the world to another to learn how the other half lives and to contribute what talents and energies they have to the wider work of the church. United Church of Christ participation in this program is coordinated by the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries. Perhaps you have enjoyed hosting ICYE youth in your own community. Perhaps young people from your church may have participated. If so, you should know that they have traveled throughout the land leaving a legacy of love and concern.

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pray, then like this

r Father in heaven, Your name be honored.
Our Kingdom come and your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
ive us today the food we need;
nd forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who have wronged us
ep us clear of temptation, And save us from evil.
r the kingdom and power
And glory are yours forever.
Amen.

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina

Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone: 584-0391
Mrs. David Bragg, Director of Music
Nathan Gminder and Jay Updyke, Acolytes

October 15, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Prelude I Van Hulse

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Ask and it will be given to you. Search and you will find. Knock and the door will be opened for you.

People: For everyone who asks receives; everyone who searches finds; everyone who knocks finds the door opened for him.

Choir: "Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 35 "When Morning Gilds the Skies" (st. 1-4)

THE LIVING WORD

Old Testament Psalm 42

* The Gloria Patri

Gospel Matthew 6:5-15

THE WORD OF PRAYER

The silent prayers of the people

The pastor's prayer for the people

Choral Response Threefold Amen

THE SPOKEN WORD

Anthem "Sing to the Lord of Harvest" Willan

Welcome

Children's Sermon

* Hymn 333 "Father Almighty, Bless Us"

Sermon Your Kingdom Come

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Antiphon No. 3 Van Hulse

The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

OING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn 411 "Lord God of Hosts"

Benediction

Choral Response Nunc Dimittis

Postlude Selected

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IE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Dr. William T. Scott and Reverend Howard P. Bozarth by Mr. and Mrs. James W. Griswold.

IS EVENING, both the Nominating Committee and the Worship Committee meet at 7:30.

SPITALIZED: Mrs. Fred Emerson at County, Rev. Guy Veazey at Memorial, and Mr. Jesse Waugh at Memorial, Chapel Hill.

IS WEEK, the Girl Scout Troop meets tomorrow evening at 6:30...The Christian Education Committee meets Tuesday evening at 7:30...The Junior Choir rehearses Wednesday at 3:30 and the Adult Choir at 7:30.

ARE GRATEFUL to Rev. John Graves and students of Elon College who led our Early Service today on Explo 72.

SPECIAL MEETING of the Board of Deacons has been set for October 22 at 7:30.

pray

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **October 15, 1972**

Matthew 6:5-15

What a great responsibility prayer lays upon us! When we pray, we ask not only that God's will be done, but we also offer ourselves as the instruments by which it ought to be done. Jesus made it perfectly clear that we could hardly ask God to forgive us for what we had done against him, if we were not willing to forgive other men who have done wrong against us. How can we ask for God's reconciliation if we are not willing to become agents of that reconciliation among our fellow men? Don't you suppose the same holds true for everything else we mention in our prayers? Be careful what you pray for—God expects your help!

WHEN YOU HAVE A CONCERN, SPEAK UP

Perhaps you may own stock and have made investments in one or another of the giant corporations which dominate our business and industrial scene. When you have a question about some of the policies which your company practices—policies either in the U. S. A. or abroad—speak up. You'll find that U. S. corporations are in the mood to listen as never before.

Church leaders, including those of the United Church of Christ, have been concerned particularly about participation of U. S. corporations in the racist policies of Southern Africa. Doubtless you've already heard or read about this in the public media. You should know that the persistent raising of questions and concerns has resulted in a new willingness on the part of Mobil Oil, IBM, and others to review their policies and to make some changes.

Church groups have been concerned, for instance, that equal wages be paid for equal work, that opportunity for supervisory and managerial positions be open to all regardless of race, and that U. S. corporate policy provide continuing challenge to institutionalized and legalized racism rather than acquiesce in its support.

When you're concerned about the policies of your corporations write a letter and speak out. There's a good chance today that you'll be heard.

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his man receives sinners and eats with them

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Mrs. David Bragg, Director of Music
Joe McLelland and Cindy Rinker, Acolytes

October 22, 1972 11:00 a.m

PRELUDE Thanks Be To God G. F. Hande

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Lord our God, lead us step-by-step into your nearer precence where Christ may speak to us of you.

Choir: "Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee"

People: Impel us, our God, to become more like Christ: to expect more from him, to do more for him, to let him do more for us and through us.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 3 "God Himself is With Us"

THE LIVING WORD

Old Testament Psalm 116 5-1

* The Gloria Patri

Gospel Luke 15:1,2; 19:1-1

THE WORD OF PRAYER

The silent prayers of the people

The pastor's prayer for the people

Choral Response Threefold Ame

THE SPOKEN WORD

Anthem "Behold and See" P. Martin

Welcome

Children's Sermon

* Hymn 218 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

Sermon He Even Eats His Meals With Them!

HELP US

BUILD NEW CHURCHES

SUPPORT

THE CHURCH BUILDERS CLUB

1972 APPEAL

Send Your Contribution To

Southern Conference of the United Church of Christ

P. O. Box 2410

Burlington, North Carolina 27215

THE CHURCH BUILDERS CLUB

The CHURCH BUILDERS CLUB of the Southern Conference seeks the support of the churches in North Carolina to help new church projects secure attractive and efficient facilities in which to worship and carry out their educational, mission and fellowship activities. (The churches in Eastern Virginia perform the same function through the Christian Missionary Association.)

Starting new churches becomes more expensive each year. Land and construction costs have increased. New church congregations are faced with greater financial demands than ever before.

The CHURCH BUILDERS CLUB is one form of assistance to new churches. Requests for aid must be approved by the Church Extension Committee of the Southern Conference. The Church Extension Committee administers the funds of THE CHURCH BUILDERS CLUB.

HELP US BUILD NEW CHURCHES

. . . There are no set dues—you may contribute any amount you desire.

. . . The appeal comes just once a year.

. . . Local churches are urged to place the Church Builders Club in their budgets or to have special offerings for this purpose.

. . . Various organizations such as Church School Classes, Men's and Women's Fellowships, Youth Groups, as well as individuals may participate through making a contribution.

. . . Contributions of $5 - $10 - $25 - $50 - $100 are welcome!

Make check payable to

CHURCH BUILDERS CLUB

and send to

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

P. O. Box 2410 — Burlington, N. C. 27215

PRAISE THROUGH GIVING

Offertory-Beneath The Cross of Jesus-Men's Chorus

* The Doxology and Dedication of Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn 97 "God of Our Life"

* Benediction

* Choral Response Nunc Dimittis

* Postlude

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Marshall W. Hook and Gerald E. Hook by the Family.

TODAY, the Confirmation Class meets at 3:30 and the Board of Deacons at 7:30.

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. Fred Emerson at County, Mr. Hurley Whitesell, Sr. at Memorial, and Mr. Jesse Waugh at Memorial, Chapel Hill.

NEW MEMBERS will be received and the Sacrament of Baptism celebrated next Sunday. Interested persons are asked to make arrangements with the Pastor today.

THIS WEEK, the Girl Scout Troop meets tomorrow evening at 6:30..the Pastor will attend the Conference Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday..the Junior Choir rehearses Wednesday at 3:30 and the Adult Choir at 7:30..the Burlington Area Churchmen's Fellowship meets Thursday evening at 7:00 at Long's Chapel. Dinner reservations should be called in to our church office by tomorrow morning.

this man receives sinners and eats with them

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **October 22, 1972**

Luke 15:1-10

Those who expect only comfort from their faith have really not paid close enough attention to Jesus himself. His activity drew the scorn of the good religious people of his day, because he seemed to think that he ought to spend more time with the morally broken than he did with them. Jesus just wouldn't confirm them in their comfortable image of their own worth. Surely such activity on Jesus' part was a parable about all men. If Jesus were not kind to sinners, what chance would any of us have with him? Yet how hard it is for us to admit this fact. Part of the discipline of our faith is facing up to what we really are, and how much help we need from God.

SKILLS TO DO THE JOB AT HAND

The short-order cook at the local hotel, the auto mechanic down the street, and the secretary in a nearby office have at least two things in common. They are American Indians, and they all received their vocational training at the United Tribes Employment Training Center in Bismarck, North Dakota.

Directed by an Ogalala Sioux, Mr. Warren Means, the Center provides the skills to do the job at hand to several hundred Indians from the northern plains states each year. Because they often bring their families with them, the Center's population is much larger than the 150 registered students. In addition to vocational classes in welding, auto-mechanics, body-shop work, food preparation, social work, and clerical skills, there are general education classes to help students earn a high school equivalency diploma. The students graduate from the Training Center, a credit to their people and to their communities.

Several members of the Training Center's board of directors are also active in the Council for American Indian Ministry related to the United Church of Christ. Their concern for helping Indian young people motivates their activities both within and outside of the church, including this particular project which has federal funding through the Bureau of Indian Affairs. While more and more American Indian young people are receiving college and university education and going into the professions vocational training continues to be badly needed for others. The United Tribes Center is an example of such training at its best.

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your sorrow will turn into Joy

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Mrs. David Bragg, Organist
Del Atkinson and Nathan Gminder, Acolytes

October 29, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Fantasy in C Major J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all people!

People: For great is his steadfast love; and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever.

Pastor: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and for evermore.

Choir: "Lord, We Praise, We Adore Thee"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 1 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Sacrament of Baptism

* Statement of Faith (In Unison)

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 35

NEW TESTAMENT READING Philippians 1:3-11

ANTHEM "Sine Nomine" Arr. Vaughn Williams

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

The Choral Response Threefold Amen

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 202 "Jesus Shall Reign" (stanzas 1-3)

THE OFFERING

Offertory Aria in F Major G. F. Handel

The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON You May Leave Your Mask At Home

HYMN OF TRUST 363 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Nunc Dimittis

POSTLUDE Introduction - Choral Boellmann

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of L. D. Martin by Mrs. L. D. Martin and Family.

RECEIVED as new members today are: Mr. and Mrs. Dariel Burchfield, Dr. and Mrs. David Bragg, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Clark, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Loy. Dr. and Mrs. Robert Blake are received as Associate Members.

TODAY a fellowship-coffee hour, planned by the Outreach Committee, will follow the morning Service.. Acolytes meet with the Pastor at four o'clock.... The Board of Trustees meets at 7:30.

THIS WEEK the Girl Scout Troop meets tomorrow evening at 6:30...The Junior Choir rehearses Wednesday at 3:30 and the Adult Choir at 7:30...The Cub Scout Pack meets Thursday evening at 7:30...Prospective Cubs and their parents are urged to attend..World Community Day will be held at the Salvation Army Headquarters on Friday at 10:30.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **October 29, 1972**

Reformation Sunday

John 16:16-24

When Jesus spoke to his disciples about his impending death and the ensuing resurrection, they could not understand what he meant. They could not understand this absence to be replaced again by presence, this sorrow which would melt into joy. But they are not alone in that difficulty. Who of us, in the midst of sorrow, can comprehend that God's will for us truly is joy? Yet in the midst of sorrow, we must keep our minds fixed on the joy of the risen Christ, because he is the guarantee that God can in fact overcome all our sorrow. Christ has risen from the dead! God is for us! The joy he brings can overcome all our sorrow! Trust in him!

WORKING FOR A BETTER HIGHER EDUCATION IN INDIA

For the past several years, the All-India Association of Christian Higher Education has been steadily working to transform higher education in India. With the full support of the Indian government, the Association and its 160 constituent colleges and universities have analyzed the quality of higher education in the country and found it lacking in many ways. The fact that examinations are given and degrees awarded by the government has encouraged colleges to provide cram courses specifically tailored to helping students pass the exams. This pressure simply to pass formal examinations leads to a sterile form of education for education's sake quite different from higher education in the United States. Students compete for every opportunity to get into college. Just getting in is significant, as witnessed by a store-window sign in Madras which reads, "Brother of a B. A. failure"! With the University of Calcutta having 150,000 students, one can well imagine the pressures placed upon each student.

Now, under the auspices of the All-India Association of Christian Higher Education, some twenty-nine colleges, including four related to our United Church Board for World Ministries, have been given major grants to stimulate their experimentation with a revitalized, up-to-date style of higher education. We wish them every success.

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Mrs. David Bragg, Organist
Del Atkinson and Nathan Gminder, Acolytes

November 5, 1972 11:00 a.m

PRELUDE God Who Made Heaven and Earth J. S. Bac

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein.

People: For it was he who founded it upon the seas and planted it firm upon the waters beneath.

Unison: Praise the name of the Lord.

Choir: "Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 6 "O Worship the King"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Jeremiah 31: 31-3

* The Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 22: 1-1

ANTHEM "O How Amiable" William
(Miss Mary Sexton, organist)

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

The Choral Response Threefold Ame

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 328 "The Lord Is Rich and Merciful"

THE OFFERING

Offertory Solo Hymn of Praise Mrs. Peggy Lacke

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON R.S.V.P.

*HYMN 365 "Faith of Our Fathers"

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response Nunc Dimittis

*POSTLUDE Let us Depart in Joy Pachelbel

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. John Schmidt in memory of his mother, Mrs. Maria Van Volkon.

TODAY: Choral Vespers, led by the Elon College Choir, will be held in Whitley Auditorium at four o'clock.. The Board of Deacons meets at 7:30 in the Hunter Room.

THIS WEEK: Circles of the Women's Fellowship meet, as announced in "The Torch"...The Girl Scout Troop meets tomorrow evening at 6:30...The Bookmobile will be at the church Tuesday from 2:30 to 3:10... The Junior Choir rehearses Wednesday at 3:30 and the Adult Choir at 7:30...The Confirmation Class meets Saturday at 10:30...WBBB radio devotions at 9:50 each morning will be led by our Pastor.

THE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to Mrs. J. G. Waugh and Family upon the death of Jesse Guy Waugh on October 29.

PERSONS who need transportation to the polls on Tuesday are asked to call church office tomorrow morning.

THE EARTH PRODUCES OF ITSELF

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST November 5, 1972

Mark 4:26-29

Any farmer will tell you that the production of food requires a good deal of hard work, careful planning, good seed, and good soil. Yet when all of that has been taken care of, the miracle of growth remains just that, a miracle. Without that miracle, none of us could live. How foolhardy we would be were we to create conditions, through activity or neglect, that would so pollute our world that such growth became impossible. What poor stewards of our God-given earth we would be! God's mercy comes to us in the same way, as a miracle. We must allow his mercy to be as productive in our lives as good seed is in God's good earth!

TRAINING MINISTERS IN MEXICO

In Mexico, as in many other countries around the world, the Christian church cannot afford a highly-paid, full-time ministry. Many students trained in metropolitan seminaries often find it difficult, if not impossible, to serve churches located in small rural villages where many primitive conditions prevail. Pastors and lay people often find it difficult to communicate because their backgrounds have been so different. An important solution for the rural churches is to have the leadership of lay persons who have a simple yet vital Christian faith and who are willing to serve. Such persons exist, but they need more training.

The Congregational Churches in Mexico, with whom we have worked for nearly 100 years, have established an extension program to help develop such lay leadership. Currently there are twenty students at a training center in Mazatlan, four more in Pozole, and nine in Apoderado. Most of them are already engaged in some sort of ministry. They study daily in their own homes from programmed texts and come together one day a week to meet with a church leader who can guide their study and help them evaluate their progress. The centers provide a small library to help meet the thirst for knowledge of the Bible which these leaders have expressed and to guide them in their efforts to share the Gospel with others.

Thus "ministers" will be trained for the small, rural congregations of Mexico. Perhaps they will continue to work in their communities and provide only part-time church leadership. But they will be well prepared by the extension courses to meet the challenges at hand.

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Joseph Gminder and Nathan Gminder, Acolytes

November 12, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Adagio Cantabile Tartini

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein.

People: For it was he who founded it upon the seas and planted it firm upon the waters beneath.

Unison: Praise the name of the Lord.

Choir "We Gather Together"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN 446 "God the Omnipotent"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Habakkuk 1:2-4;2:1-

* The Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT READING Romans 13: 1-1

ANTHEM "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" J. S. Bac
(Betsy Wheaton, Flutist)

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

The Choral Response Threefold Ame

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 485 "This is My Father's World"

THE OFFERING

Offertory Antiphon IV Van Huls

A Reading of Thanksgiving and Stewardship (insert

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON I'm OK - You're OK

THANKSGIVING AND STEWARDSHIP

tor: Gracious God, our heavenly Father, from whom comes every good and perfect gift, we call to remembrance your loving kindness and your tender mercies. With grateful hearts we lift to you the voice of our thanksgiving.

ple: For all your blessings, so freely bestowed upon us, your children, we do praise you, O God.

tor: What shall we render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward us?

ple: We will pay our vows unto the Lord now, in the presence of all His people.

tor: Let us make a covenant of Christian Stewardship, as we hear God speak to us from His own Word: "Honor the Lord with your substance...Bring all the tithes into the storehouse...Render unto God the things that are God's...Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven...Freely you have received, freely give. For God loves a cheerful giver...It is more blessed to give than to receive."

ple: We accept these sacred words as coming from you, O God, and pray for grace to order our lives in accord with them.

or: Receive us, we pray, as we here and now present our pledges for next year, dedicating them to the cause of your Kingdom and to the honor of your Son, our Lord and Saviour.

le: We offer them in the faith that you will support and care for us during the coming year and in the hope that we may be increasingly fruitful in your service.

or: Bless us in all our plans for extending the usefulness of our church in this community and for supporting your cause in needy lands across the world.

ON: "Let thy Word appear unto your servants and thy Glory unto their children. And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us, yea, the work of our hands, establish Thou it."

*HYMN 63 "Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing" (st 1,2)

*BENEDICTION

Choral Response — Nunc Dimittis

POSTLUDE — The Heavens Declare — Marcello

*Indicates when the congregation stands.

A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we greet and welcome our visitors, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex. Return often.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Lankford in memory of their daughter, Marsha.

TODAY: Children from the Elon Home are visiting at Bethlehem U.C.C., Altamahaw...The Stewardship and Missionary Education Committee meets this evening at 7:30.

THIS WEEK: Articles for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning...The Christian Education Committee meets Tuesday evening at 7:00...A training session for canvassers of the Christian Enlistment will be held Wednesday evening at 7:00...The Spiritual Life Committee of the Women's Fellowship will sponsor a Bible Study Thursday afternoon at 12:30. Please bring a Bible and a sandwich. Beverage will be provided.

PLEDGES are received today and next Sunday to underwrite our proposed 1973 Church budget. Those who prefer may have canvassers call in your home next Sunday afternoon. Then a congregational meeting will be held November 26 at 7:30 to approve the budget.

OUR EARLY SERVICE next Sunday will be a contemporary Thanksgiving Service at 9:00.

a treasure... that does not fail

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **November 12, 1972**

Luke 12:22-34

What is most important to you in this life? Answer to such a question demands careful thought. And yet we answer that question a hundred times a day by the way we live. What we think is important is surely shown in the big decisions we make. Look over the pattern of your life. There you will see what is most important to you. Jesus had many words to say about the true meaning of life. It has to do with what we give, not what we get. It has to do with how we help others, not how others help us. Is that the kind of true meaning our life reveals?

GROWING IN FAMILY STEWARDSHIP

To help each of us grow as Christian stewards in the giving of money, we need to act upon the following assumptions:

- Christ is Lord of life and of all our possessions.
- Personal stewardship is the best means of expressing gratitude to God for his love as shown in Christ.
- The systematic practice of Christian stewardship is an indicator of spiritual growth.
- The church is God's instrument for salvation in our world. Therefore, the support of the church must be a priority with us.
- Money is a symbol of ourselves. It is the translation of our personality into a medium of exchange.
- Pledging makes possible careful planning of the program of the church on a yearly basis.
- Weekly payment of pledges is an effective way to give regular expression of our gratitude to God and of our concern for the world.
- Planned pledging means we will be giving "off the top" and not a left-over amount. This gives God first place in our family budget and in our lives.

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United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina
Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone 584-0391
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist
Jenny Seamster and Nancy Boyd, Acolytes

November 19, 1972 9:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP:

O come, let us sing unto the Lord:
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation:
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving;
Let us make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God,
And a great king above all gods.
O come, let us worship and bow down.

THE DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (in unison)

O Lord, our God, the Giver of all good, we bless thee for thy never failing mercy. Thou has opened thy hand and hast supplied all of our wants. Thou hast loaded us with benefits so that our cup runneth over. Under thy smile we have had days of joy and prosperity; and in times of distress thou hast upheld us, and made light to arise upon us when we were in darkness. We give thanks to thee for all the blessings we have received, for all thy promises, and all our hopes of good to come. We magnify and praise thy glorious Name, O Lord God Almighty. As we have praised thee with our lips; grant that we may also praise thee in consecrated and faithful lives. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Nehemiah 8 (selected)

(Nehemiah calls the people to celebrate a holy day of giving thanks)

A LITANY OF THANKSGIVING (From Psalm 136)

Leader: O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good:
People: For his mercy endures forever.
Leader: O give thanks to the God of gods:
People: For his mercy endures forever.
Leader: O give thanks to the Lord of lords:
People: For his mercy endures forever.
Leader: To him who alone doeth great wonders:
People: For his mercy endures forever.
Leader: To him that by wisdom made the heaven:
People: For his mercy endures forever.
Leader: To him that stretched out the earth above the waters:
People: For his mercy endures forever.
Leader: To him that made great lights:
People: For his mercy endures forever.
Leader: The sun to rule by day:
People: For his mercy endures forever.

Leader: The moon and stars to rule by night:
People: For his mercy endures forever.
Leader: Who giveth food to all flesh:
People: For his mercy endures forever.
Leader: O give thanks to the God of Heaven:
People: For his mercy endures forever.

HYMN 21 "We Gather Together to Ask the Lord's Blessing"

THE PILGRIM THANKSGIVING

The Declaration

Psalm 67 Unison Reading

May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
that thy way may be known upon earth,
thy saving power among all nations,
Let the peoples praise thee, O God;
let all the peoples praise thee!
Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for thou dost judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.
Let the peoples praise thee, O God;
let all the peoples praise thee!
The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.
God has blessed us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him!

THANKSGIVING TODAY

The Declaration

Guided Prayer - Let us pray silently:

For this privilege of prayer:
For the faith that helps us to look past things seen and temporal to things unseen and eternal.
For the inward assurance that we are Spirit, that God is SPIRIT and that Spirit with Spirit can meet.
For precious memories.
For life and health and strength.
For the tasks that fill our days.
For our loved ones and friends.
For the trials that teach us and lead us closer to Him.
For the sweetness of little children, the dreams of youth, the courage of maturity and the example of those who face life's sunset serenely.
For the love of God which is broader than the measure of man's mind and from which neither life nor death can separate us.
For Christ who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

A New Hymn "Christ the Lord, the Son of God" Tune: Do-Re-Mi

1. Christ, the Lord, the Son of God;
God the One who sent Christ here;
Here, the place we call the world;
World, a home for you and me;
Me, the self I long to know;
Know, the quest of every man;
Man, the object of Christ's love...
So that brings us back to God.

2. Who am I and who are you?
What with you have I to do?
Who the Architect of life?
Who the One beyond all truth?
God, the name of Him who IS.
Christ, the name of Him who came.
Man the one for whom Christ died...
So that brings us back to God.

3. Christ, the Lord, the Son of God;
Christ, the God-man in our midst;
Christ, the One who seeks us out;
Christ, the One who paid the price;
Christ, Incarnate love divine;
Christ, the hope of all mankind;
Christ, the One who makes us whole
Christ, the One who changes man.

OUR OFFERING
Offertory
Hymn 462 "Come Ye Thankful People" (st.3)
Dedication of Offerings

BENEDICTION (in unison)
"And now may thanksgiving and glory and praise be unto God forever and forever." Amen.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr and Mrs. John D. Schmidt in memory of her mother, Mrs. Alice Brehle.

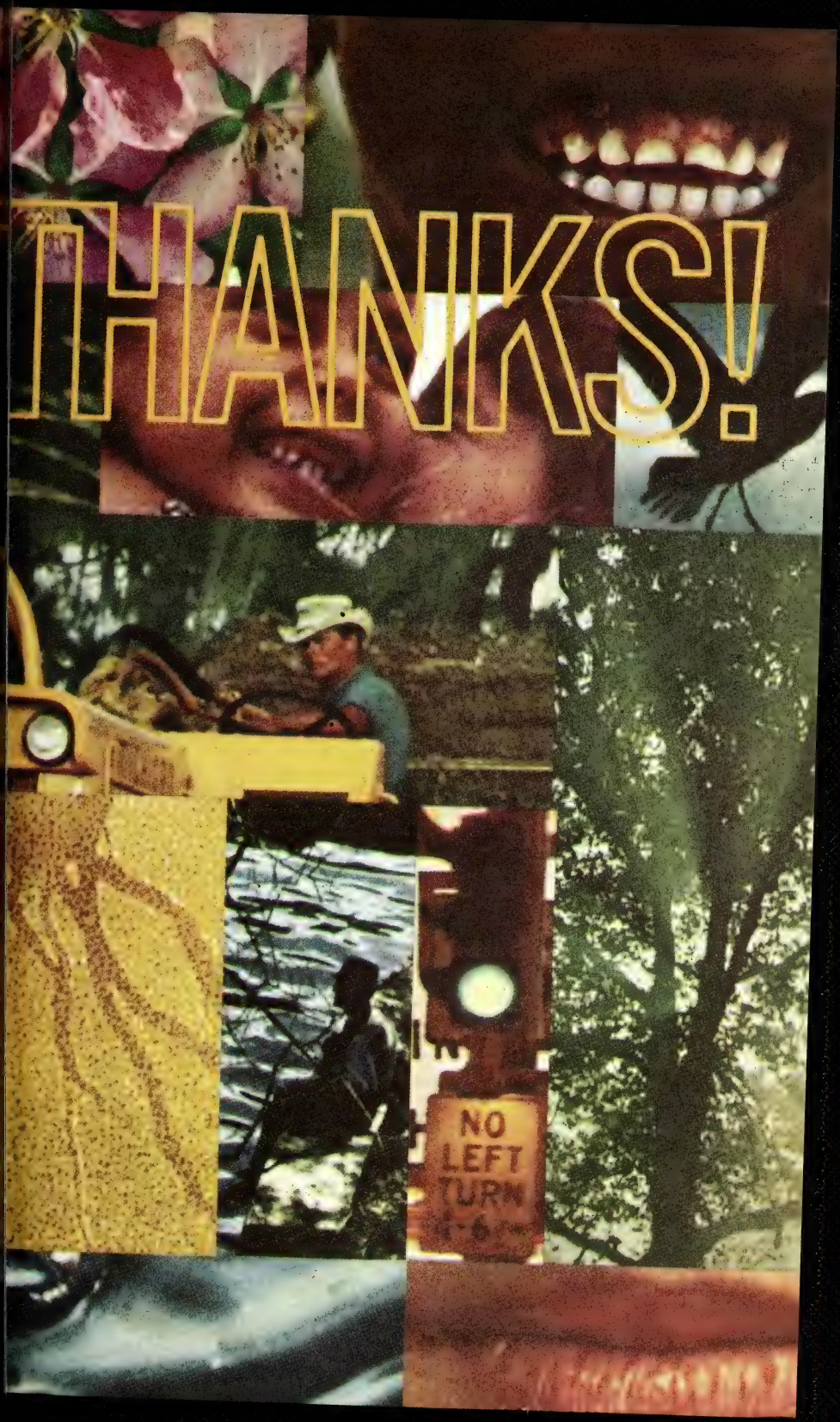
PLEDGES of $16,414.00 have been received toward our proposed 1973 church budget of $57,903.00. You may submit your pledge today or if you prefer, canvassers will call in your home this afternoon after three o'clock.

OUR COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE will be held here Wednesday evening at 7:30. Dr. James Lightbourne will bring us the Thanksgiving message.

THE CONGREGATION will meet in business session next Sunday evening at 7:30.

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. J. A. Hunter is a patient at Memorial Hospital, Burlington, Mrs. Fred Emerson at County Hospital, Burlington and Jimmy Holland at Duke.

CONGRATULATIONS to John Thomas Glennon and Carol Ann Reynolds whose Service of Marriage was held here yesterday.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COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE
Elon College Community Church

November 22, 1972 7:30 p.m.

PRELUDE Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Petersen

O come, let us sing unto the Lord:
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving!
Let us make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
O come, let us worship and bow down.

HYMNS 21 "We Gather Together"
462 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

THE HEBREW THANKSGIVING Rev. Hamilton

Narration
Reading of Nehemiah 8:2, 5, 10-12
A Litany of Thanksgiving

Leader: O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good:
People: For his mercy endures forever.
Leader: O give thanks to the God of gods:
People: For his mercy endures forever.
Leader: O give thanks to the Lord of lords:
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Leader: To him that by wisdom made the heaven:
People: For his mercy endures forever.
Leader: To him that stretched out the earth above the waters:
People: For his mercy endures forever.
Leader: To him that made great lights:
People: For his mercy endures forever.
Leader: The sun to rule by day:
People: For his mercy endures forever.

THIS THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE is sponsored by the Congregations of the Elon First Baptist Church, the Edgewood United Church of Christ, the Shallowford United Church of Christ, and the Elon College Community Church.

WE GLADLY WELCOME Dr. James Lightbourne who brings us our Thanksgiving Message. Dr. Lightbourne is Conference Minister of the Southern Conference of the United Church of Christ.

THE EVENING OFFERING, unless designated otherwise, will be divided evenly between the Elon Home for Children and the Baptist Home for Children.

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Narration
Unison reading of Psalm 67
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for thou dost judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.
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The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.
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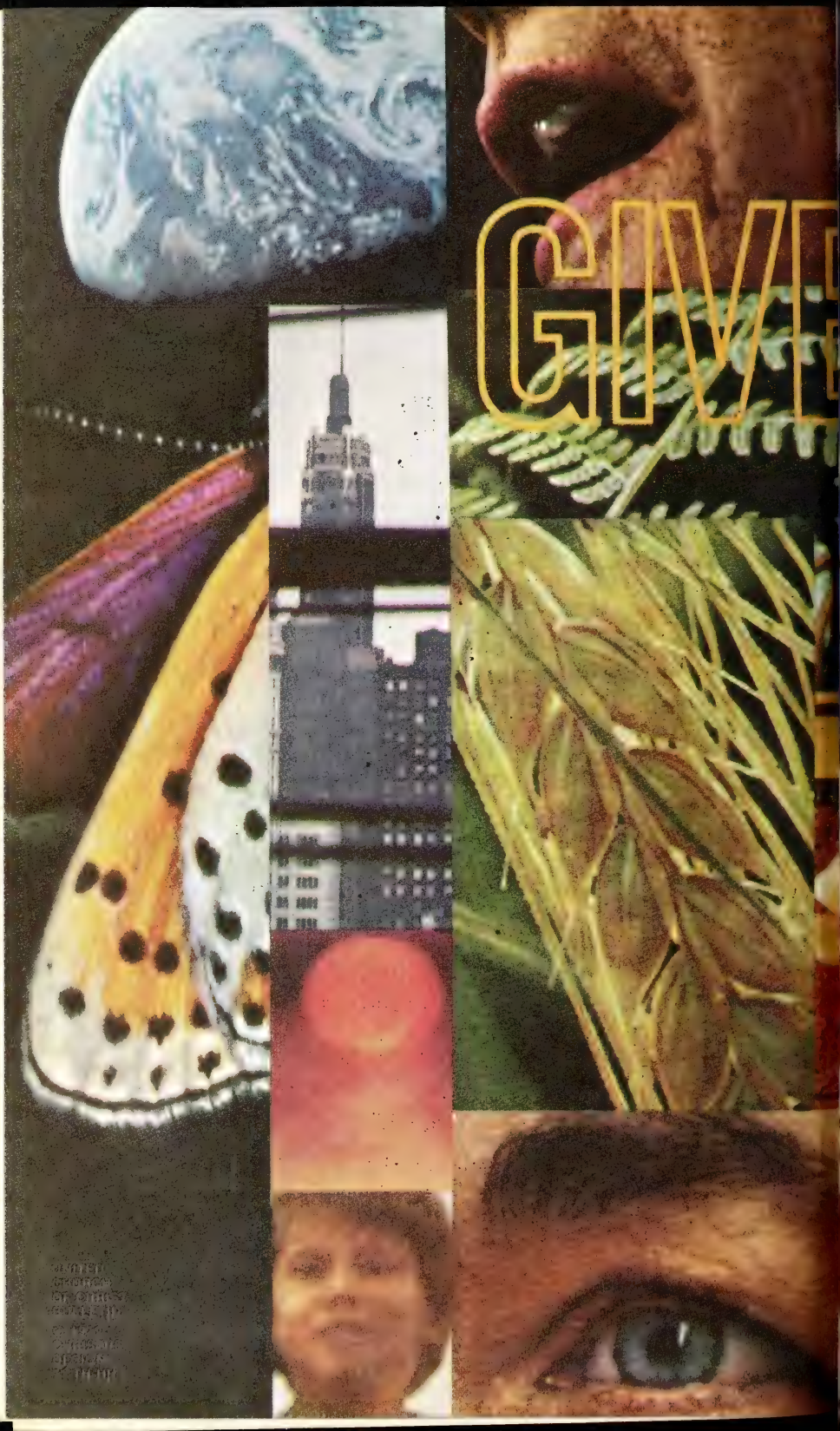
nthem "Sing to The Lord of Harvest" Willan
(Elon Community Church Choir)
he Thanksgiving Prayer Rev. Cockman
he Thanksgiving Message Dr. James Lightbourne
he Thanksgiving Offering
Offertory
Dedication: We give thee but thine own
Whate'er the gift may be
All that we have is thine alone
A trust, O Lord, from thee. Amen
YMN 66 "For the Beauty of the Earth"
ON BENEDICTION And now may thanksgiving and glory
and praise be unto God forever.
Amen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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina

Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone: 584-0391
Mrs. David Bragg, Organist

November 26, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Come, Saviour of the Gentiles J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP Jeremiah 9:23, 24

Pastor: Thus says the Lord: "Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, let not the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches;

People: Let him who glories glory in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord who practices kindness, justice, and righteousness in the earth for in these things I delight, says the Lord."

Unison: Together let us worship the Lord.

Choir: "Our Praises We Offer"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

The Lord's Prayer

*HYMN 263 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 145

* The Gloria Patri

NEW TESTAMENT READING Philippians 2:1-13

ANTHEM "In the Bleak Midwinter" arr. Holst

SERVICE OF PRAYER

The Silent Prayers of the People

The Pastor's Prayer for the People

The Choral Response Threefold Amen

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 242 "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

THE OFFERING

Offertory Andante in C Minor Bach

* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Finale To A Symphony

*HYMN 29 "Now Thank We All Our God"

BENEDICTION

Choral Response Nunc Dimittis

POSTLUDE Fantasia in G Major Bach

*Indicates when the congregation stands.

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Carroll E. Barnes in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Summitt.

TODAY, acolytes meet with the Pastor at 4:00..... A Congregational Meeting will be held this evening at 7:30.

THIS WEEK, Junior Choir rehearses Wednesday at 3:30 and the Adult Choir at 7:30...Bible Study is Thursday morning at 9:30...Articles for "The Torch" are due tomorrow morning.

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. Fred Emerson and Mrs. George Shumar are patients at County, Mrs. J. A. Hunter at Memorial, and Jimmy Holland at Duke.

PLEDGES of $34,532.20 have been received from 100 of our church families toward our proposed 1973 budget of $57,903. Canvassers are asked to submit final reports to Mr. Harper today.

much will be required

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST November 26, 1972

Luke 12:35-48

It is an unfortunate illusion for a Christian to think that he has responsibility only for the things that happen in church, or in his private life. Again and again, Jesus picked, as the theme of his parables, people to whom large responsibilities had been entrusted. Time and again, Jesus tells us that we are responsible for our neighbor in the wider areas of life. We are to use what we have been given for the good of others. That includes even the way we exercise our political franchise. The men we vote for, and the programs we favor, will tell us much about how seriously we take our Christian responsibility to do what is good for our fellow men.

LIVING ON A TREADMILL IN JAPAN

"We feel we're on a treadmill and can't quite keep up with all the crying needs," report missionaries Richard and Martha Lammers from Morioka, Japan. More and more people keep coming to the Good Neighbor Community Center there, which the Lammers have helped to establish. A Japanese colleague is helping to develop the Center's library, which includes audio-visuals as well as books and periodicals. English classes and craft courses are offered. Many individuals come to the Center with feelings of despair and purposelessness, but they often change as they find a new depth of life through these Christian representatives.

It is hard to put your finger on just what makes the difference at the Good Neighbor Center. Perhaps it is the Christian literature which is read. Perhaps it is the way the classes are taught. Perhaps it is nothing more—or less—than being in the presence of committed Christians who have proved willing to share life's sadness and life's joy. Serving the United Church of Christ of Japan by appointment from our United Church Board for World Ministries, the Lammers have successfully launched another community center and have begun to turn it over to Japanese colleagues. There is continuing pressure to expand the program, but there are also only so many hours in the day. No wonder it feels like being on a treadmill; one has to run just to stand still!

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to replace the pale imitation of life for which so many have settled.

—*Dr. William G. Rusch*
Executive, Pennsylvania Synod
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The Choral Response Threefold Amen

ANTHEM O Come, O Come Emmanuel Men's Chorus

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* Hymn 87 God Moves In A Mysterious Way

THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Solo Robert Gwaltney

* Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

* Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Reclaiming The Promise

New Testament Reading Luke 1:26-33

*HYMN 228 "Love Divine"

*BENEDICTION

* Choral Response Nunc Dimittis

*POSTLUDE Journey to Bethlehem Nevins

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A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we greet and welcome our visitors, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex. Return often.

FAMILY NIGHT will be held December 17 at 6 o'clock. There will be caroling and a special film shown. This is an "all-church" gathering for adults and children.

LAST SUNDAY EVENING, our church adopted a 1973 budget of $57,903.00. At this time, we have pledged $24,792.00 for current expenses, $6,285.80 for benevolence, and $6,619.40 for building fund. This is a slight increase in pledges over last year, though the budget has not been pledged in full.

A SERVICE OF INSTALLATION for all persons newly-elected to office will be held on December 31 as a part of our Service of Worship.

IN THE NARTHEX, you will see an architectural rendering of one of the proposals on our building program. The downstairs bulletin board contains photographs of the last class of new members.

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina
Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor
Mrs. David Bragg, Director of Music
Jay Updyke and Joseph Gminder, Acolytes
First Sunday in Advent
December 3, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Long Ago At Christmas Time Nevins

CALL TO WORSHIP
Introit Now Let Every Tongue Adore
UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION
O God, our Father, no other time fills us with such joy and hope as does this season. Help us to use this period of Advent to prepare ourselves for Christmas, thinking thoughts and doing deeds that will make us more fit for his Coming. In Jesus' Name, Amen
*ADVENT HYMN 114 "Lift Up Your Heads"

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
* The Statement of Faith
OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 9:2-7

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Shomaker and Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Murray by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Shomaker.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM is administered today to Christa Renee Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Clark. Sponsors are Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Griffin.

TODAY: 4:00 "The Messiah" in Whitley Auditorium...7:30 Board of Deacons.

THIS WEEK: The Christian Education Committee meets tomorrow evening at 7:00...Cub Scout Pack 51 meets with parents Wednesday evening 7:30 in the Parish House.

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. J. A. Hunter and Rev. Guy Veazey at Memorial; Jimmy Holland at Duke.

OUR SERVICE OF WORSHIP next Sunday will

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT **December 3, 1972**

MESSENGERS WITH A PURPOSE

The Old Testament book of Samuel describes how King David learned of the death of his son at the hand of Joab, commander of the army. Cushi, a reliable runner was sent to tell David of the victory in battle and of the death of Absalom. Ahimaaz, a faster runner, also ran to where the king was staying, even though he had no message to deliver. He ran only for the sake of running, while Cushi ran for a purpose.

In our day, there appear to be many in the frantic race of life who are running without a purpose and without a message. But Advent reminds us that God has given a message of love and forgiveness in Jesus Christ which gives life meaning and purpose. The Advent season calls us to rejoice in God's gift of love and to share it with others. As messengers we must be willing to deliver the full message and not a substitute

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empowerment.

- Provides leadership in social responsibility.
- Works for world fellowship, justice, and peace.
- Lends a practical, helping hand when emergencies strike.

Think also of the pastors of the church who are now in retirement. Your gift to the Christmas Fund can minister to them. More than one thousand of them will, through the special Christmas greeting and an extra check you help provide, experience a measure of liberty from anxiety, loneliness, and neglect.

The Christmas Fund also makes possible the Emergency Fund which helps the ministers who actively serve our churches and their families when they are struck by illness, accident, or some other tragedy too great for their meager financial resources.

All these ministers and their dependents are helped through the Christmas Fund which is administered by the Pension Boards of our denomination. You help minister to ministers by making your contribution to the Christmas Fund.

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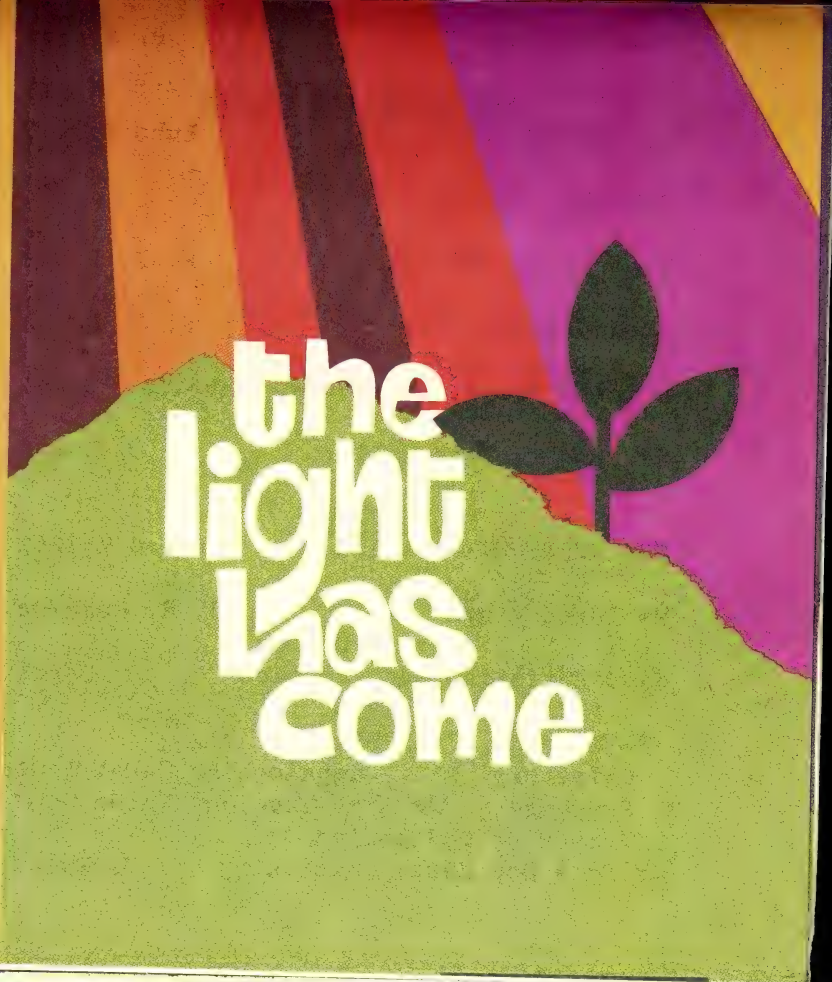

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SHEPHERDS AND PEOPLE

NEW TESTAMENT READING — Luke 2:8-20

PASTORAL PRAYER

Come Ye To Bethlehem — K. K. Davis

Sing Gloria — K. K. Davis

Bring a Torch, Jeannette, Isabella — Carol

Masters In This Hall — G. Holst

WISEMEN

NEW TESTAMENT READING — Matthew 2:1-12

We Three Kings — J. H. Hopkins

Men's Chorus

Good Christian Men, Rejoice — Carol

THE MORNING OFFERING

Offertory — Appalachian Carol Song

* Response — "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

* Prayer of Dedication

On This Day Earth Shall Ring — G. Holst

Basses

John Barney	Bill Price
Thomas Hamilton	Tim Price
Charles Terrell	Worden Updyke

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Janet Loy Faulkner by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Loy.

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 Contemporary Service led by Mr. Rinker and our youth.
9:45 Church School
11:00 Church Worship
6:00 Family Night for all, including carol singing and Christmas film.

THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP meets tomorrow evening at 7:30 in the Parish House.

ARTICLES for "The Torch" are due tomorrow.

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SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT
December 10, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Christmas the Blessed Time Nevins

CALL TO WORSHIP Mr. Hamilton
Introit Of The Father's Love Begotten

*PROCESSIONAL 132 "O Come All Ye Faithful"

THE FORETELLING

OLD TESTAMENT READING Dr. Hurst
Isaiah 2:2-4 Isaiah 40:3-5

In the Bleak Midwinter G. Holst

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THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

NEW TESTAMENT READING

*HYMN 130 "Joy To The World"

*BENEDICTION
* Response Honor, Glory, and Dominion
*POSTLUDE For You Shall Go Out In Joy

Adult Choir Members
David A. Bragg, Director

Sopranos

Gertrude Barney
Susan Barney
Lois Bost
Jane Danieley
Maurine Gminder
Sylvia Langston
Peggy Lackey
Vickie Price
Mary Sexton
Peachie Troxler

Altos

Winifred Barney
Melva Foster
Joy Hamilton
Aundree Price
Janie Updyke
Penny Updyke

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT December 10, 1972

John 3:16-21

Darkness can be frightening, but it has its comforts. We can hide there, withdraw into irresponsibility. We do our own thing there, perhaps to brood in self-pity, to exploit in self-seeking, or to revel in self-confidence. The gospel of Jesus is the coming of light, powerful and searching. His coming is good news if we are weary of darkness. But it is also a hard choice because we sometimes like the darkness of self-pity, self-seeking, self-confidence. Darkness is being on our own, either in despair or in pride. Christmas is deciding to live in his presence—in the light which insistently exposes and amazingly heals.

HELP MINISTER TO MINISTERS

Think of the many ways in which the pastor of a local church ministers. The pastor:

Business Secretary for African Relief, became convinced that President Nimeiry's regime in Khartoum wanted a genuine settlement with the South Sudan Liberation Movement, if the leaders could be found and brought together. Christian Aid—a division of the World Council of Churches—helped the Southern leaders to meet and formulate a common position. Director Leopoldo J. Niilus also worked step-by-step on the arrangements and negotiations in Addis, and Canon Burgess Carr of the All Africa Conference of Churches served as moderator. The generous provisions of the Addis Agreement make it a far-sighted settlement of reconciliation, a model for other regions.

When the Agreement was signed, Emperor Haile Selassie, who lent his good offices, expressed gratitude by saying to the ecumenical team, "You were instrumental in reaching the happy result we witness today . . . You were able to bring two brothers together again. What joy is there more than this?"

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The Choral Response Threefold Amen
ANTHEM Come Ye To Bethlehem Davis

CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Hymn 137 "Away in a Manger"
THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory Shepherds, Leave Your Flocks
* Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication
SERMON Reclaiming The Scriptures
New Testament Reading Romans 15:1-7
*HYMN 129 "It Came Upon The Midnight Clear"

*BENEDICTION
* Response Honor, Glory, and Dominion
*POSTLUDE Christmas Festival Scheidt

*Indicates when the congregation stands.

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for next Sunday are asked to bring them on Saturday. If possible, please leave them here until after the Christmas Eve Service.

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. J. A. Hunter is a patient at Memorial and Jimmy Holland at Duke. Mrs. W. W. Snyder is recuperating at home following treatment at County Hospital from the accident last Monday.

OUR EARLY SERVICE today was led by Reverend Richard Rinker and the following young people: Emily Alexander, Kim Collins, Lena Latta, Kay Matlock, Steve Perry, Bill Price, Tim Price, Mark Rinker and Jane Updyke.

A SERVICE OF INSTALLATION for church officers, Deacons, Trustees, and committee personnel will be held on December 31 as a part of our Morning Worship.

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
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THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT
December 17, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE What Child is This? Purvis

CALL TO WORSHIP
Introit Of The Father's Love Begotten
UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION
O God, our Father, we rejoice in the fulfillment of your promise to dwell with us. So we give thanks for your coming in Christ. With true joy within us, help us both to worship him and to go forth to serve him. Amen
*HYMN 110 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Lt. Col. and Mrs. Dariel Burchfield in memory of their son, Captain Joe S. Burchfield.

THE CHRISTMAS WREATHS on the front church doors are given by Miss Georgie Moore in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Moore and sisters, Edith Cole Moore and Jodie Moore.

FAMILY NIGHT is this evening at 6:00 in the Parish House. There will be caroling, a Christmas movie, and refreshments. It's for the whole church family.

THE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS SING will be held Tuesday evening at 7:00 just across from the post office, at the lighted tree.

OUR CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE of Carols,

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT **December 17, 1972**

Matthew 3:1-12

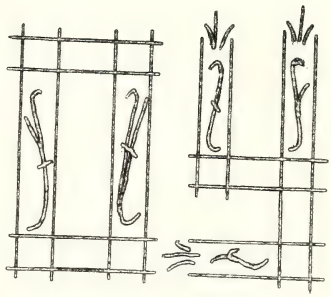
His coming is that of a conquering hero on the waves of victory. He is welcomed by cheering folk who are weary of the old, tired slaveries. He comes bringing a new regime and for that, drastic preparation is required: a new road, smooth and wide, a new city-gate to mark the triumph, a fresh decoration of the city. John catches all that in one word: repent. Not make the normal, casual preparations, but more drastic: bear fruit, befitting the hero. For John that means caring about justice, mercy, righteousness. When we prefer old realities, old slaveries, and tired prisons, we may not even notice that he makes his enormous entry. No preparation, no liberation!

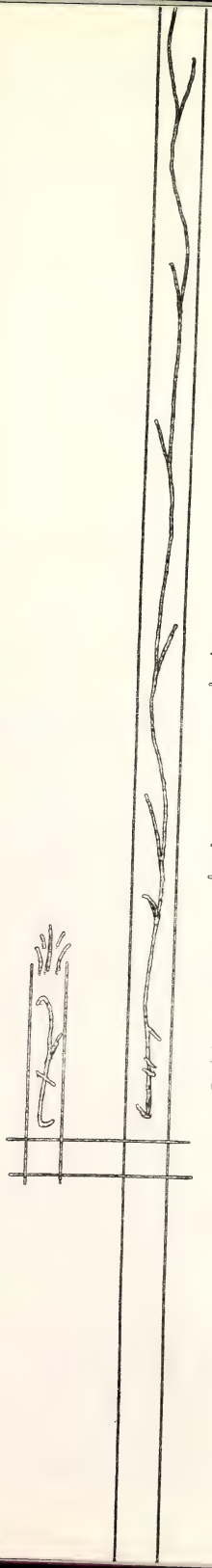
AGREEMENT AT ADDIS ABABA

A bright chapter was written this past year when

Prepare the way of the Lord

AN ADVENT SERVICE OF JOY





December 17, 1972
9:00 a.m.

Elon College
Community Church

THE ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
An Advent Service of Joy
December 17, 1972, 9:00 a.m.

Prelude — Terra Beata — Babcock

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*Hymn 8 — Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
(Clapping hands is OK!)

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Our Words of Joy - some taperecorded remarks by members of our fellowship

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*Song — I'd Like To Build A Joyful World

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Responsive Reading (John 3:16-21 & Luke 2:1-7)

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
*In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus.
That whoever believes in him should not perish,
*That all the world should be enrolled.
But have eternal life.
*And Joseph went up from Galilee,
For God sent the Son into the world,
*From the city of Nazareth to Judea,
Not to condemn the world
*To the city of David which is called Bethlehem
But that the world might be saved through him.
*To be enrolled with Mary, his wife, who was with chil
And this is the judgment,
*And while they were there,
That the light has come into the world.
*The time came for her to be delivered.
He who does what is true comes to the light
*And she gave birth to her first-born son,
That it may be clearly seen that his deeds

*And wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger,
Have been wrought in God.
*Because there was no place for them in the inn.
*And he is called Jesus.

ffirmation of Faith

I joyfully believe in the love of God revealed in Jesus Christ. I joyfully believe that behind the clouds of life shines the love of God. I joyfully believe that God has a purpose for the world and for my life. I joyfully believe that Jesus Christ saves life from aimlessness and sin. I joyfully believe in the life-giving power of the Spirit of God. I joyfully believe that through faith and prayer and the support of the fellowship of faith I can live the life which is life indeed. I joyfully respond to God's call to love and service. With joy do I affirm my desire to walk with Christ as brother and Lord.

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Benediction		
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e leading: Emily Alexander, Kim Collins, Lena Latta, Matlock, Steve Perry, Bill Price, Tim Price, Mark er, Jane Updyke and Rev. Richard N. Rinker.

ongregational Singing or Reading

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day.

Mortals, join the happy chorus
Which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us,
Brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward
In the triumph song of life.

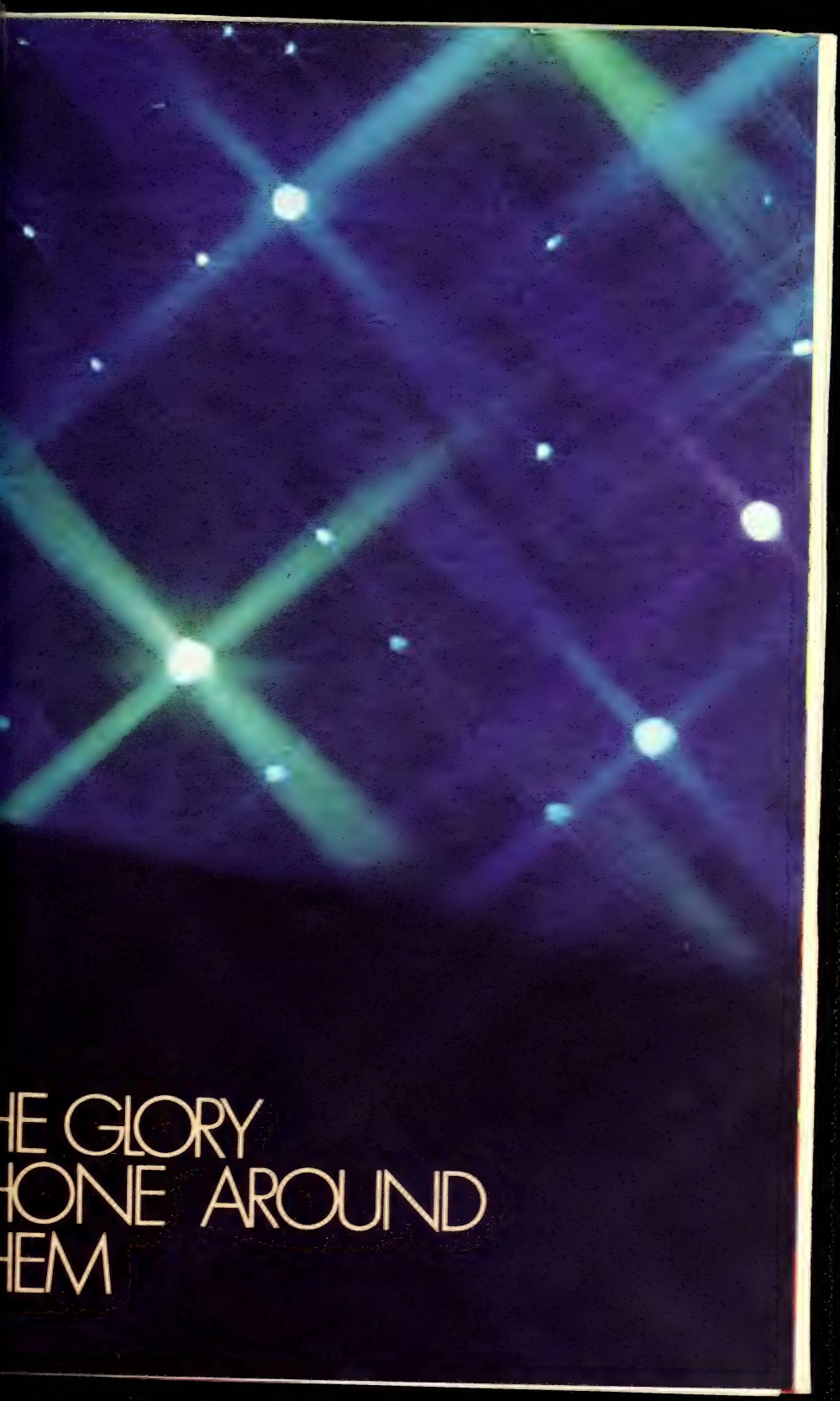
I'd Like To Build A Joyful World

I'd like to build a joyful world
And furnish it with love,
Grow apple trees and honey bees
And snow white turtle doves.

I'd like to teach the world to sing
In perfect harmony,
I'd like to hold it in my arms
And keep it company.

I'd like to see the world for once
All standing hand in hand,
And hear them echo through the hills
For joy throughout the land.

That's the song I hear,
Let the world sing today;
A song of joy that echoes on
And never goes away.
Put your hand in my hand
Let's begin today;
Put your hand in my hand
Help me find the way.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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
Elon College, North Carolina
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
December 24, 1972 - 7:00 p.m.
Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor

PRELUDE Prelude of Carols Selected

*CAROL 132 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS EVE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them:

People: Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

Pastor: And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:

People: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men

THE INVOCATION (in unison)

O God, as the shadows of darkness surround us, may we be mindful that those who sat in darkness long ago saw a great light. May that true light shine in our hearts this night. Amen.

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

(The following Scripture passage is known to have been used by Pope Sixtus III in Rome about the middle of the fifth century. Tradition states that this was probably the first Christian worship service held on Christmas Eve.)

his church. The words were inspired by an earlier visit to the birthplace of Jesus.)

*CAROL 134 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

THE CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Anthem Bring A Torch, Jeannette, Isabella

CHRISTMAS EVE TONIGHT

THE CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

DISTRIBUTION OF THE CANDLES

(Candles and drip-protectors for each pew are in boxes near the center aisle. Please take one of each and pass the box toward the other end of the pew. The candles will be lighted by the acolytes as the organist plays the following carol. They may be extinguished following the Unison Prayer.)

*CAROL 138 "Silent Night, Holy Night"

PRAYER FOR CHRISTMAS (in unison)

O God, who has made this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light, may the Star of Christmas shine more radiantly now than ever before with the Light of Peace on Earth. Amen.

BENEDICTION

THANKS to the families who share with us the beauty of the poinsettia plants which decorate the chancel.

THE PERIOD from Christmas through January 6, 1973 has been designated as the "Burlington Area Noon Prayer Call For Key 73". Each day you are urged to join with fellow Christians everywhere in the spirit of prayer.

THE SCRIPTURE

Matthew 1: 18-23

*CAROL 120 "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"

CHRISTMAS EVE FOLLOWING THE REFORMATION

(The first religious songs used by the early Protestants were Psalms set to music. The following Carol, written by Isaac Watts in 1719, is a paraphrase of Psalm 98.)

A LITANY IN WORDS AND SONG

Pastor: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

People: (Sing Carol 130, stanza 1)

Pastor: Let the sea roar and all that fills it. Let the floods clap their hands. Let the hills sing for joy before the Lord.

People: (Sing Carol 130, stanza 2)

Pastor: He will judge the world with righteousness and the people with equity.

People: (Sing Carol 130, stanza 3)

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE IN AMERICA

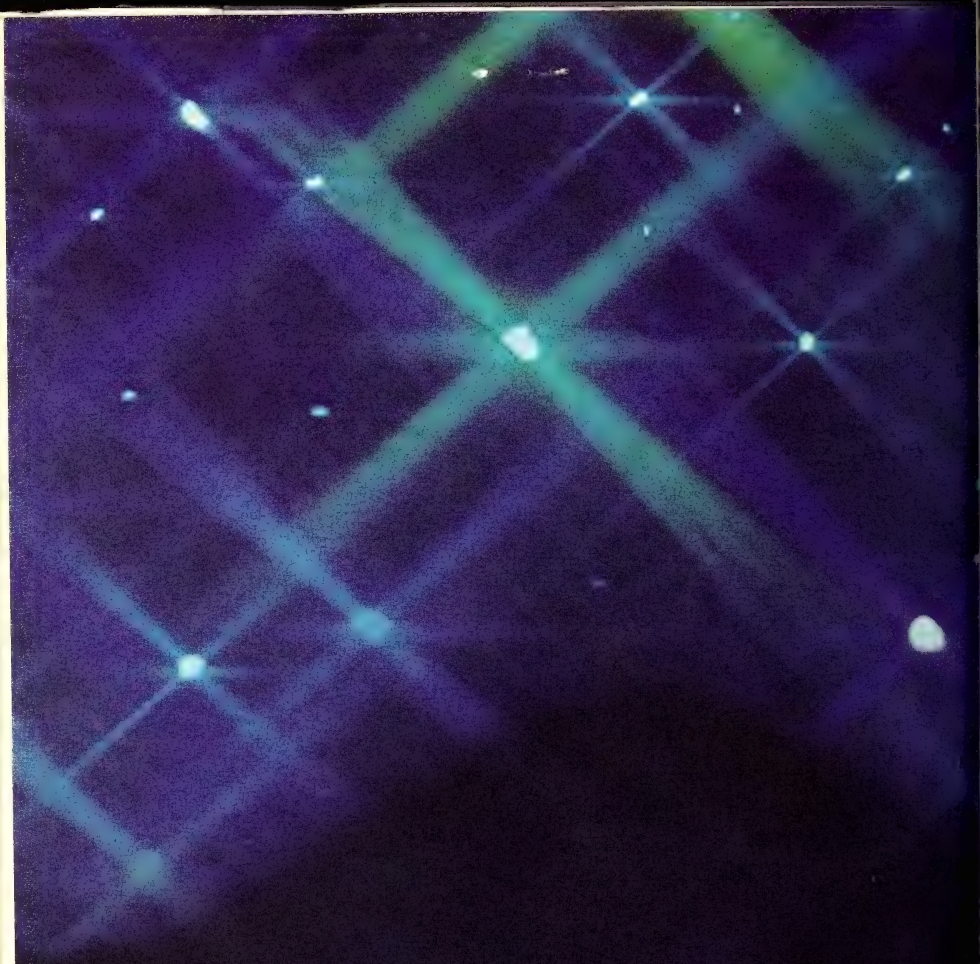
(On December 24, 1741, in Pennsylvania, Count N. Von Zinzendorf, holding a lighted candle, led his followers to a stable where they sang these words. That town was later named Bethlehem.

NISON READING

"Not Jerusalem - lowly Bethlehem
"twas that gave us Christ to save us.
Not Jerusalem - favored Bethlehem,
Honored is that name.
From thence came Jesus to release us -
favored Bethlehem."

CHRISTMAS EVE A CENTURY AGO

(The following carol was written by Phillips Brooks in 1868 for the Sunday School Christmas program in



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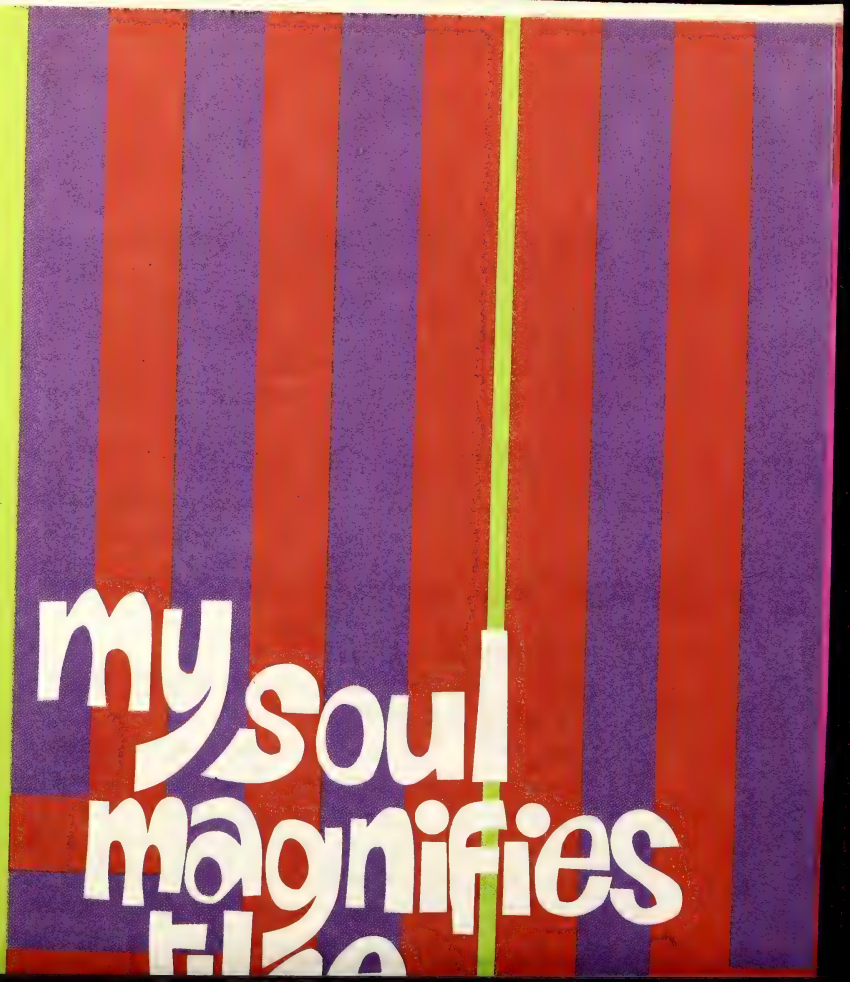
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST SPECIAL OCCASION BULLETIN © 1971 CPH CH-1-72

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT December 24, 1972

CHRISTMAS: THE GOOD NEWS AND THE BAD

First the good news: The Kingdom of God is at hand! God comes again to claim his world for his own purposes. It is an act of love with power to change things in important ways. And change them he does! He frees people from all the little boxes we live in, boxes of fear and hate. He invites excluded lepers back in, to be a part of the community. He breathes on the dead and they live. He comes among widows and orphans, all those devalued by society, and he values them again. He enters the holy city which had become the city of greed and exploitation, and he claims it for his own. No wonder people rejoice. His kingdom abolishes all pretenders to authority.

Now for the bad news: Repent! That is a word nobody wants to hear because it calls into question the way we thought life always was and always would be.



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Del Atkinson and Nathan Gminder, Acolytes

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT
December 24, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Come, Savior of the World Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP
Introit On This Day Earth Shall Ring
UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION
Eternal God, let us hear again the declaration of the angels: "Christ is born in Bethlehem". In the light of your presence, and to the melody of your song of Gloria, may we worship in love and adoration. For your name's sake, Amen.
*CAROLS 127 "Christians, Awake"
120 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in memory of Dr. and Mrs. J. O. Atkinson and Mrs. R. T. Bradford by the Family.

THANKS to the families who share with us the beauty of the poinsettia plants which decorate the Chancel.

OUR CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE of Carols, Scripture, and Meditation is this evening at 7:00. This will be a Candlelight Service intended for the whole family.

THE NATIVITY SCENE in the Narthex has been made by Miss Georgie Moore and is a gift to the church.

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ANTHEM Gesu Bambino Yon
(Worden Updyke, Baritone)
CHILDREN'S SERMON
* Carol 140 "What Child Is This?"
THE GIFTS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory Mary, Blessed Mother Nevins
* Response "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
* Prayer of Dedication
SERMON Reclaiming the Christ
New Testament Reading John 1:1-18
*CAROL 141 "The First Nowell"

*BENEDICTION
* Response Good Christian Men, Rejoice
*POSTLUDE Selected Carols

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A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended all who worship with us today. Especially we greet and welcome our visitors, requesting you to sign the Guest Register in the Narthex. Return often.

COLLEGE STUDENTS are invited to the parsonage this Friday evening at eight o'clock for informal fellowship and refreshments.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Boland who celebrated their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on December 21.

THE CONGREGATION joins in an expression of Christian Sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Mack Lackey upon the death of his father, Lewis Henry Lackey, on December 16 and to Mr. and Mrs. Marsh McLelland upon the death of his brother, Ross McLelland on December 21.

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HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. J. A. Hunter is a patient in Memorial.

are less than healing. Take another look at our grossest fears and forget them, because they don't merit much attention. No wonder people resist. Because it's so radical.

Christmas is all of that, bittersweet—good news and bad. And we must come to terms with it. Christmas is for receiving and for abandoning, for turning loose and for starting again.

—*Dr. Walter A. Brueggemann*
Professor of Old Testament
Eden Theological Seminary
Webster Groves, Missouri

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ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH
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Thomas R. Hamilton, Pastor Phone: 584-0391
Mrs. Maurine Gminder, Guest Director-Organist
Esther Gminder and Cindy Rinker, Acolytes

December 31, 1972 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Pastoral Tocatta Pachelbel

CALL TO WORSHIP I John 4:9,10

Pastor: "This is how God showed his love for us:
People: He sent his only Son into the world
that we might have life through Him.
Pastor: This is what love is:
People: it is not that we have loved God,
but that He loved us..."
Choir: Sing Gloria

INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN 117 "Angels, From the Realms of Glory"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 8
* Gloria Patri
NEW TESTAMENT READING John 1:14-30

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION
for Officers, Committees, and Boards
SERVICE OF PRAYER
The Silent Prayers of the People
The Pastor's Prayer for the People
The Choral Response Threefold Amen
CHILDREN'S SERMON
* HYMN 326 "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne" (st. 1,2)
THE OFFERING
Offertory Solo "The Virgin's Slumber Song"
Mrs, Peggy Lackey, Soprano
* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

SERMON Living Out The Incarnation

*CAROL 119 "As With Gladness Men of Old"

*BENEDICTION

* Choral Response Good Christian Men, Rejoice

*POSTLUDE Grand Jeu on a Noel Reger

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THE SERVICE OF INSTALLATION is held today for those elected by the congregation as officers, or as members of committees or boards.

HOSPITALIZED: Mrs. J. A. Hunter is a patient at Memorial and Mrs. David Bragg at County.

THIS WEEK: The Tuesday Circles of the Women's Fellowship meet this week as scheduled...The Women's Bible Study Group meets Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.... The Adult Choir rehearses Wednesday evening.... Articles for "The Torch" are due Tuesday morning... During January, our Sunday Services will be broadcast over Radio Station WBBB.

THE SACRAMENT of Holy Communion will be celebrated next Sunday, the first Sunday in the new year.

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

December 31, 1972

John 1:14-18

Imagine—looking at Jesus and seeing the Godness of God among us! And his being among us is not what we expected. God is not God because he is majestic or remote or coddling. Rather, God is God because his grace and truth are with us. He is graciousness, there with his incredible loyalty against all the fickleness of the world. He is truthfulness, there with his authenticity against the phoniness of the world. Jesus' coming and his ministry show us that God's loyalty and authenticity are more real than all the fickleness which abandons and all the phoniness which manipulates. We own him as Lord and say that that's the way it really is!

TIED TOGETHER BY CABLE

In San Francisco, the Northern California Conference of the United Church of Christ and the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries have joined in support of an unusual special project, a research project on cable television designed to study its potential as a resource to serve community needs.

The project, under the direction of an experienced veteran of the mass media, will have three emphases. It will aid churches in raising questions about local community access to cable television when franchises for the service are being considered by municipal and county boards. It will help community groups to discover how specific needs, such as those of senior citizens or of young parents, can be served by cable television's ability to provide local programming. And it will help churches to develop new concepts of evangelism matched to the potential of cable television for reaching large masses of the population.

The Community Media Project, which is its name, will also be concerned with promoting fair employment of minority groups in television and other media. The main thrust of the total effort will be in the direction of tying the community together rather than allowing cable television, by default, to bring benefit to only one part of the community.

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